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War Bond Rally Date Set by Unions

Labor's Joint Committee Sponsors Event

Labor's Joint Committee consisting of AFL, CIO and Railroad unions has set Saturday, Jan. 8, as the date for a gigantic War Bond Rally and Victory Ball to stimulate interest in the 4th War Bond Drive which opens Jan. 18, and to promote greater labor unity in Toledo.

Free tickets to the rally and ball which will be held at the Civic Auditorium are being distributed by the unions which are sponsoring the event and may be obtained from all shop chairmen, stewards, or by calling at Local 12 headquarters, 425 Winthrop St., or the Teamster's Union Hall, AFL, 2014 Adams St.

Bonds To Be Given

Music for dancing will be provided by a 15-piece dance band under the direction of Paul Spor, and hundreds of dollars worth of War Bonds donated by patriotic Toledo industries and individuals will be given away to the holders of lucky tickets. Each ticket holder will have a chance to win a bond.

Howard Goser, chairman of the rally and ball stated that a large crowd was expected to attend. He said, "we want to do something to aid the next war bond sale. We are trying to bring about greater labor unity and believe that in promoting the sale of war bonds, we can meet on common ground with a common interest."

Franz Berlocher, Teamster's Union, AFL, commenting on the war bond rally said, "I think this is one of the finest ways we can use to show our government that we are with it in the all out war effort. We not only want to aid the treasury department by promoting the sale of war bonds; but we want to aid our government in securing more unity by working for labor's unity in the war effort."

Speaker for Treasury

A well known Toledo speaker will represent the Treasury department and discuss the 4th War Bond Drive.

Dancing will begin at 9:00 p. m. and continue to 1:00 a. m. Admission is by ticket only.

Members of the committee in charge of arrangements for the rally are Richard Gosser, Melvin Schultz, Andy Oravetz, Earl Ordway, Tom Burke, Robert Thomas, Lloyd Speidell and O. J. Pecord, CIO, Franz Berlocher, Don Pfeiffer, Charles Tanner, Ed Haumesser, Wes Meinka, Edward Sullinger Wm. Cook and Clyde Bomer, AFL. Tim McCormack, Joseph Sullivan and R. R. Pryor, Railroad unions.

"It's News"!

WASHINGTON (FP) — Acting on its first sober decision in many months, Congress went home for the Christmas holidays.

Packard Awaits Election

Workers at the Packard Motors, Inc., are anxiously awaiting word from the National Labor Relations Board for the date of the plant election which was requested by Local 12, UAW-CIO. A hearing was held in Toledo, Dec. 16, at which time the MESA asked that it also be placed on the ballot if ordered by the NLRB.

Efforts are being made by the MESA to divide the plant by securing the skilled workers in its organization, an effort which is being resisted by the CIO members, who feel that one union should be the sole bargaining agent or all the employes.

"All that the skilled workers need to do if they wish to make a comparison is to investigate the rates paid the skilled workers in Detroit, represented by the UAW-CIO and the rates of Toledo's MESA skilled workers. The rates are far above those of Toledo, and the MESA need not point to any appreciable difference in the cost of living, because that's only an excuse."

Mr. Schultz also pointed out that the unskilled workers in Toledo who are members of the UAW-CIO receive higher rates of pay than unskilled workers in the Detroit area. "The answer is obvious," said Mr. Schultz. "The difference is that we get the proper rates for all the workers and do not concentrate on one group under the guise of creating an aristocracy of labor."

Organization is going forward rapidly and the CIO is becoming increasingly stronger.

Jersey CIO After Higher Standards

NEWARK, N. J. (FP)—Full support for wage demands to meet the increased cost of living, for severance pay at termination of employment, for guaranteed weekly wages, for improved vacation concessions and paid holidays, for sick leave, hospitalization, accident and death insurance, was assured by the New Jersey CIO Council to its local affiliates in their contract negotiations with management.

Henry Morgenthau Calls New Tax Bill "Scandal"

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27 (FP)—Lacing into the senate finance committee's meagre tax bill, Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau Jr. said amendments to the renegotiation law written into the bill "hold the seed of a national scandal." "The Treasury would be better off with no tax bill—but on that basis we would be awfully badly off," Morgenthau said, referring to the inadequate $2,284,000,000 revenue provided for by the bill, instead of the $10,500,000,000 asked by him.

Morgenthau turned his biggest guns on committee amendments to the renegotiation law, through which the government has recovered $5,000,000,000 from war contracts. Under the aegis of Senator Walter F. George (D., Ga.), who was plugging away for outright repeal of the law, the committee passed a series of amendments virtually wiping renegotiation off the slates.

Under the amendments, all contracts and subcontracts, let under competitive bidding, and contracts involving less than $500,000 a year would be exempt. House action has already exempted agricultural and dairy products. Another amendment would set up a central price adjustment board to rule on whether a contractor's profits are excessive, to give due consideration to his federal taxes and cost of plant reconversion. Still another would allow contractors to appeal to the courts, involving the government in endless litigation and preventing it from getting its money back for years to come.

The amendments, Morgenthau said, "open the way to truly extortionate profits. I predict that if they are enacted into law they will come back to plague not only the congress but the war goods manufacturers who get temporary gain from them."

The "smartest thing thing business can do, he added, is to leave the renegotiation statute alone, "unless business executives want to spend the rest of their lives on the Hill before investigating committees."

Meanwhile, constitutionality of the renegotiation act was challenged in a petition filed in supreme court by the Alliance Brass & Bronze Co. of Alliance, O., to prevent the War Department from proceeding with renegotiation of the company's 1942 contracts. The law is invalid, said the petition, because it confers on executive departments or administrative tribunals "the power to make determinations of all matters in relation to what may constitute reasonable profits."

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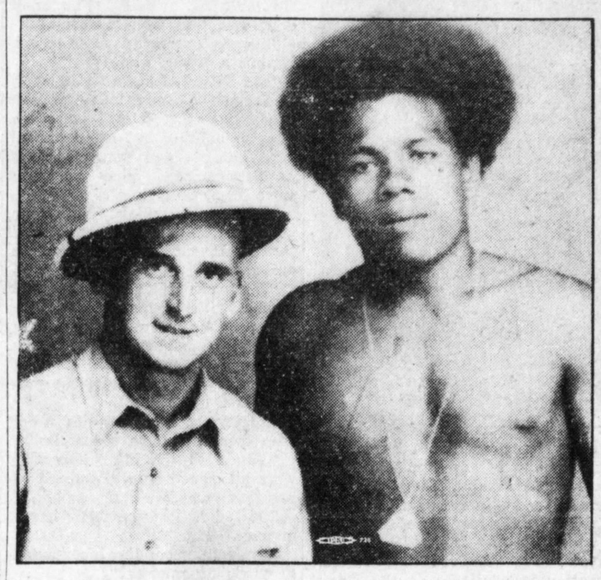

They make the natives big down in the South Pacific if the picture of Corp. Gilbert Cutcher taken with the native is a sample. Corp. Cutcher is the brother of Howard W. Cutcher, member of the Auto-Lite Executive Committee. He is a member of the Die Casters union, CIO. Howard has two other brothers, also CIO members serving with the armed forces, Stanley, a member of the Auto-Lite Unit and former executive committeeman and J. V. of the Steelworkers CIO.

House Delays Action On Truman Resolution

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27 (FP)—House action on the Truman-Crosser resolution approving an eight cent hourly increase for 1,110,000,000 nonoperating railway workers was ruled out for this session by the house interstate commerce committee. Instead of voting out the senate-approved measure at this point, the committee voted to appoint a five-man subcommittee to work out a drastic amendment, exempting railroda workers from the economic stabilization act.

With the news that no immediate action was to be taken by congress on their wage demands, leaders of the 15 nonoperating unions were scheduled to meet here Dec. 21 to set a strike date. December 30 has already been named for a nation-wide strike by the five railroad brotherhoods in their separate wage case.

In appointing the subcommittee, the interstate committee issued a brief statement saying the proposed amendment "will have the effect of broadening the scope and provisions of the (Truman-Crosser) measupre so as to exempt the Railway Labor Act and all amendments thereto from the provisions of the Stabilization Act.

"Such amendments will entirely exempt the present controversy and all other agreements and settlements made under the Railway Labor Act from the provisions of any other law."

Paupers Cannot Vote

BOSTON (FP)—Under Massachusetts law "paupers" cannot vote. Section 1, Chapter 51, of the election laws states: "Every citizen 21 years of age or older, not being a pauper . . . may have his name entered on the list of voters." An inmate of the city infirmary at Northampton was recently denied the right to vote. It is expected to be repealed at the coming session of the legislature.

Papers To Co-operate With Union Drive

LYNN, Mass. (FP)—Editors of both daily newspapers here, following a conference with Local 201, United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers (CIO), agreed to cooperate with the union in its political action drive during the coming year.

This is the first time in the city's history that such a conference was held. Full scope of labor's political program was discussed and union officials expressed the feeling that this conference will lead to better public relationships.

AUTO-LITE

Ed. Duck will conduct another "educational" meeting to which all members of the Auto-Lite Unit are invited. Mr. Duck's past meetings have been well attended and have brought out some facts which have created considerable discussion. Time of the meeting—3:30 p. m. Place—Local 12 Headquarters, 425 Winthrop St. Parlor "N".

Pecord To Talk At Town Meeting

O. J. Pecord, managing editor of the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL and Dr. Carl Mundy will speak on the Wagner, Murray, Dingell Social Security bill at the Toledo Town Meeting, Jan. 3 at 8:00 p. m. in the YMCA Board Room.

Subject of the discussion is "Do We Want Socialized Medicine As Proposed in the Wagner Bill?": Mr. Pecord will take the affirmative side, with Dr. Mundy representing the side of the organized medical profession.

To Introduce Subject

Rev. William L. Steffens of St. Paul's Methodist Church, will introduce the speakers beginning promptly at 8:00 p. m.

Harry Friberg, chief assistant prosecuting attorney will introduce the subject and explain to the audience the features of the Wagner bill. Each speaker will be given 10 minutes to present his side of the case. This will be followed by a 15-minute speakers panel in which the speakers will participate and ask questions of each other, challenging each other's points of view.

Following the speaker's panel period, there will be a period for questions directed to the speakers from the audience.

Toledo Town Meetings are open to the public without charge. They are planned by a representative committee of Toledo citizens under the auspices of the YMCA Public Affairs Committee. Members of Local 12 are invited to attend the discussion as the subject is one in which labor unions are vitally interested.

Steelworkers Denied Retroactive Pay

WASHINGTON—Dec. 27—(FP)—The Natl. War Labor Board voted 8 to 4, labor members dissenting, to reject a United Steelworkers (CIO) petition for a directive making wage increases under new contracts, now being negotiated, retroactive to the expiration date of the old agreements.

Most of the union's contracts with some 500 steel companies expire Jan. 3. In his petition to the WLB, USA Pres. Philip Murray said the firms would be asked to extend present contracts during negotiations and asked WLB to order any wage adjustments agreed on made retroactive to the Jan. 3 date.

The union petition was denied after 5-hour session in which the board heard a stream of industry spokesmen argue that a wage increase would be followed by a price increase.

A compromise proposal offered by public members was defeated 8 to 4, with labor and industry members dissenting. Under the compromise, present contracts would be extended, already agreed to by the firms, but any retroactive wage increases would have to be under the present economic stabilization program. In negotiations now under way in Pittsburgh, union leaders have asked for a general 17c an hour increase, asserting the Little Steel Formula had become outmoded by rising living costs.

CIO general counsel Lee Pressman warned the board that an "extremely dangerous situation" would develop if the union's petition was denied. He cited the case of the United Mine Workers (unaffiliated) who were asured retroactive pay without any strings attached by President Roosevelt during wage negotiations last March.

Baertschi Seeks To Run For Governor of Ohio

CIO Hits Inflation Theory

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27 (FP)—The theory of the "inflationary gap"—used by some economists to oppose wage increases — was riddled by the CIO Economic Outlook in its November issue.

Discussing an estimated $2,600,000,000 in unspent income said to have piled up during the second quarter of 1943, the Outlook said: "No sensible person can deny that this large and increasing pool of unspent income is a potential threat to prices," but, it added, fears that the money would be spent and would drive up prices have not been realized.

"The inflationary gap proved to have little sting," it continued. "Gradually, the fact is being borne in upon the alarmists that, as Mr. Randolph Burgess says, 'Inflation is not a direct product of excess money; it is a product of human behavior. Money does not become wild by itself. It could be dangerous only when used wildly by the people who have it; and the significant thing that is happening now is that with some conspicuous exceptions, the financial behavior of the great bulk of our people has thus far been characterized by common sense.'"

Crowd To See Burke Begin New Duties

Friends and union associates of Tom Burke, vice president of Local 12, UAW-CIO, are planning on attending the first meeting of the 1944-45 council Monday night at 7:30 p.m. to see Mr. Burke begin his duties as a city councilman. Mr. Burke was elected in the November election with the joint backing of the CIO, AFL and Railroad unions.

Tom Burke

Mr. Burke is no stranger to legislative halls, having served as a member of the Ohio General Assembly for one term. He fostered legislation beneficial to labor during his term in office, and was a frequent visitor to Columbus during the early part of 1943 to protest against anti-labor legislation.

He is a member of the Spicer Unit of Local 12 and was a pioneer in the industrial union movement in Toledo. As a member of Local 12, Mr. Burke has served his union as financial secretary and is at the present time vice president of Local 12.

Mr. Burke is married and the father of five children. He lives at 620 South St.

Two Rail Unions Call Off Strike

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (FP)—Efforts by President Roosevelt to avert a nation-wide railroad strike voted by 20 brotherhoods to take effect Dec. 30 were partially successful Dec. 24 when leaders of two important unions of rail-operating workers called off the walkout and promised to accept arbitration of their pay demands.

The initial break in the hitherto solid ranks of the rail union executives occurred after a meeting of the "Big Five" leaders with the President at the White House. A. F. Whitney of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and Alvaney Johnston of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, both independent unions, emerging from the White House, made known their decision to call off the strike.

Is Bad News

Their message is "bad news for Hitler and Hirohito," Whitney announced. Whitney and Johnston estimated that more than half the operating workers are members of the two organizations.

Still adamant at the time in their warning that a strike on Dec. 30 would accompany failure to grant the wage demands were President H. M. Fraser of the Order of Conductors, T. C. Cashen of the Switchmen's Union of North America and David B. Robertson of the Brotherhood of Enginemen and Firemen.

To Rely Upon Arbitration

Whitney's decision to rely upon arbitration for solving the union's demands was taken during the White House meeting, it was learned.

The BRT's members, he declared, "understood the seriousness of the problems confronting the Government and that we had no desire to embarrass the Government or retard the prosecution of the war in any way." Whitney expressed confidence in the President's fairness as final arbitrator of the dispute.

Smith-Connally Law Boomerangs

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (FP)—Wall Street has taken time out to add up the score on a half-year's operation of its little favorite, the Smith-Connally Law.

In a critical analysis of the law's first six months, The Wall Street Journal, spokesman for finance capital, said Dec. 23 that the law "fashioned by Congress in an anti-labor mood is paradoxically turning out to be more useful than restrictive to labor unions." It adds:

"There has been an increase in the number of strikes rather than a decrease. Minority labor groups foment strikes and unrest, making it more difficult for majority groups to maintain union discipline."

The Journal quoted a "top labor official" as saying that there are more strikes since the Smith-Connally act than there were in the preceding period. The story said:

"The national labor organizations — the AFL and the CIO — fought the Smith-Connally measure while it was pending in Congress. They say they still don't like it."

CIO Buys Skyscraper

FLINT, Mich. (FP) — The Industrial Bank Building, tallest commercial skyscraper in Flint, has been purchased for $100,000 by the Greater Flint Industrial Union Council (CIO). The 12-story building originally cost about $1,500,000.

CLOSED

In order to give the dues office employes an opportunity to enjoy the New Year holiday, the dues office will be closed from Friday, Dec. 31 at 2:30 p. m. to Monday, Jan. 3. Dues payments may be mailed to Local 12, but must bear a Dec. 31 postmark.

Pledges Support to Labor, Promises Tax Reforms

Walter Baertschi of Maumee, former member of the Ohio legislature serving in the state senate, who is seeking the Democratic nomination for governor of Ohio, spoke before a meeting of Labor Joint Committee for Political Action, Dec. 27, in the Teamsters' Union Hall, 2014 Adams St.

Seeks Nomination

Walter Baertschi

In his talk before the committee, Mr. Baertschi attacked the administration of Governor John Bricker, who has piled up a large surplus in the state treasury for a purpose, and had prevented these large sums from going into the channels, the schools and political subdivisions for which they were originally intended.

Long an advocate of tax reforms, Mr. Baertschi said that if he was elected governor, he would force passage of an equitable system of taxation based upon the ability to pay. He termed the Ohio sales tax as "an extreme income tax upon the poor and a limited income tax upon the rich.

Promises Aid to Schools

Asserting that he was very serious about the governorship and intended to make a real fight for the Democratic nomination in the spring primary, Mr. Baertschi stated that he would distribute the 75 million dollars of Ohio's surplus to the schools and local subdivisions for the retirement of bonded debts. He stated that Toledo had over-expanded its public school system and said that the bonded debt of the Toledo public school system was greater than that of Cleveland which was a much larger city than Toledo.

Mr. Baertschi stated that as a member of the state senate, he had always been a strong advocate for labor and he pointed out that he had discovered "jokers" in legislation which would have been harmful to labor, when state labor leaders had missed the hidden clauses which would have handicapped the workers.

Condemn Pension System

Roundly condemning the state system of aid for the aged which he termed, "disgraceful alms to the aged," Mr. Baertschi said that Governor Bricker had permitted the confiscation of the

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Willys Aviation Needs Women

One hundred women will be employed each week or the next several months in the Willys-Overland aviation division, according to Melvin Schultz, president of Local 12, UAW-CIO.

Mr. Schultz explained that the expanding aviation program at Willys makes it possible for that firm to continue to employ a large number of women for the division, and stated that in view of the importance of aviation now and in the post-war period, those trained in this branch would have an opportunity for employment when the industry converts to peacetime production.

Women selected for the aviation division at Willys receive two weeks' instruction in the various phases of the work in which they are to be regularly engaged. After the training period they receive 65 cents per hour for 30 days, after which they are given pay increases every 30 days until they reach the top rate for women in the aviation division.

Applications for employment may be made at the Local 12 employment office, located in room 17, in the basement of Local 12 headquarters, 425 Winthrop. The employment office is open daily from 9 a. m. to 2:30 p. m. except Saturday.

Political Group Meets Tuesday

A general meeting of the executive board and membership of the Local 12 Political Activities Committee will be held at Local 12 headquarters, Parlor I, Tuesday, Jan. 4.

Important plans will be discussed and all members are urged to be present. The meeting will begin promptly at 8 p. m.

Workers Urged To Make Their Tax Returns Early

By O. J. Pecord

Happy New Year besides being Leap Year with no place for most of the girls to leap, is also another year when income taxes must be paid. Worsethan paying them, is making out the returns, which must be in the hands of the Dept. of Internal Revenue not later than midnight of March 15.

If you had a headache in other years making out your returns, you might as well buy yourself an extra hundred aspirin tablets and prepare at the earliest possible moment to render an accounting to the government, because this year's form is more complicated than ever, requiring a much longer time to make out than those of previous years.

Officials in the Federal Building Internal Revenue Department are urging everyone to make out his returns early, beacuse, they point out, many people who have overpaid their taxes will get their refunds sooner if they make their returns early.

Tax forms 1040 and 1040A will be mailed out to all federal income tax payers shortly after Jan. 1. Form 1040 must be used by those whose incomes are in excess of $3000 annually, while Form 1040A is used by those whose incomes are below $3000.

Filling out the forms is a time-consuming job, according to those who have studied the new income tax blanks. Tax office officials estimate that making out the form will require at least 15 minutes, with most returns requiring more time. Because of the shortage of help in the Internal Revenue Department, officials are urging that those making returns not wait until the last minute to seek assistance, unless they are prepared to spend many hours standing in line waiting their turn to get the necessary aid.

Anyway you look at it, 1944 is going to be a busy year for the tax collector and the taxpayers, and the best way to avoid a lot of grief is for the taxpayers to get ready at the earliest possible time to make out their returns.

A series of articles will be carried in this paper on income tax returns by an authority on the subject which will begin with next week's issue. Workers are urged to read the articles carefully.

Presidential Veto of Tax Measure Looms

WASHINGTON—Dec. 27—(FP)—An excellent chance existed as congress adjourned for the holiday that the President would veto not only the meager senate revenue measure if it passes in its present form, but the Vandenberg-sponsored social security payroll tax "freeze" provision of the bill.

It was freely predicted that the administration will produce estimates showing that repeal of the bill and its war contract renegotiation amendments will make for more revenue than the bill's paltry tax increases would total.

Sec. of Treasury Henry Morgenthau's recent statement, "The Treasury would be better off if we had no tax bill at all," was seen as an indication that a fight would be made on the senate floor. Organized labor has strongly objected to the tax measure and both the AFL and CIO urged passage of the Wagner-Murray-Dingell social security bill, S 1161, which would have brought in almost $6 billion. In lieu of that, the increase in the present social security tax rate, due under the law if the pending tax bill is knocked out, would provide more protection to workers than the existing rate, and would mean $1,400,000,000 in revenue next year.

The Treasury claims the senate bill would produce only $2,100,000,000. Its proponents claim it would produce $2,275,000,000. Under the Treasury's estimates the stepped up social security tax would equal almost two-thirds of the increase under the bill. Morgenthau had urged $10½ billion in new revenue.

Some $500,000,000 in government refunds to war contractors also will be lost if the renegotiations amendments become law. Moreover, government officials say $5 billion already saved in renegotiated contracts would be jeopardized. Morgenthau has declared the senate amendments would open the door to "truly extortionate profits" by war contracts.

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property of the aged and broken his promise made five years ago that he would put an end to such practices. He stated that he would put the system on a sound annuity basis and establish "freedom from want" for Ohio's aged citizens.

He condemned the bonded indebtedness of the school system which he said did not share taxation equally with real estate. He said, "if we are going to have unemployment why not cause the unemployment of the bonds instead of the workers."

Asking Labor's support in the primary, Mr. Baertschi said that he felt he was entitled to the support of organized labor since he had proved himself not once, but many times to be a true friend.

Mr. Baertschi's talk was well received by the 50 members of the committee present; but no discussion or action was taken following it.

Co-ops to Meet In January

WASHINGTON—(FP) — Post-war plans for rehabilitation will be made by representatives of worldwide cooperative organizations at a conference Jan. 19, 20 called by the committee on cooperative reconstruction of the Cooperative League of the USA.

Committee chairman praised director general H. H. Lehman's proposal to the United Nations Relief & Rehabilitation Administration that "self-help" be the rule for post-war rehabilitation efforts. Cooperative leaders from foreign countries have already given approval to the Cooperative League's rehabilitation policy: "self-help not philanthropy."

Delegates to the conference will represent Belgium, China, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Greece, Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, Yugoslavia, the Phillippines, Canada, England, the U. S. and South American countries.

Veterans Get Choice Of Jobs

WASHINGTON (FP)—Despite any priorities set up in local employment stabilization plans, all honorably discharged members of the armed forces will be allowed to take jobs of their own choosing, War Manpower Commissioner Paul V. McNutt announced.

The same freedom of choice will be given veterans for 60 days after they have acepted their first job, he said.

McCormick Gets Profascist Kiss

DETROIT (FP)—After uttering a choice assortment of America First isolationist and appeasement sentiments before the Detroit Athletic Club Dec. 15, Publisher Robert R. McCormick of the Chicago Tribune was given the formal approval of the America First Party (Gerald L. K. Smith, director) as candidate for president of the United States.

"It would give us great joy," said Smith, "to see Col. McCormick nominated as the favorite-son candidate for president in the Illinois primary."

CIO Names WPB Liason Man

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27 (FP)—Beginning Feb. 1, 1944, Ted F. Silvey will act as liason man between the CIO and War Production, CIO President Philip Murray announced. Silvey's duties will include representation of the CIO on various industry committees within the WPB, contact work between CIO unions and the WPB, and field work.

Silvey was secretary-treasurer of the Ohio Industrial Union Council from its founding in 1937 to November, 1943.

Rails Have More Money

NEW YORK (FP) — Railroad companies have more money now than at any time in their long history of financial buccaneering, Labor Research Association reported, and are in a position to pay much bigger wage increases than the unions are asking.

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of our political accomplishment in Toledo this fall, but the real test of labor unity will come next year.
Read your labor paper to get the true facts about the political situation. You can now register for the next election. Go to the Board of Elections, 217 Superior St. next to the Esquire Theatre, and do it now.

County Quota Set For Bond Drive

Lucas County's quota in the Fourth War Loan Campaign, January 18 to February 15, will be $38,500,000, according to John T. Rohr, chairman, Fifth Area War Finance Committee.

Quota for the Fifth Area, comprising 20 counties in northwestern Ohio, including Lucas, will be $73,000,000, Mr. Rohr added. The Lucas County and area quotas are a shade under the respective quotas of $38,642,000 and $75,517,000 in the third campaign last September. But, Mr. Rohr pointed out, the entire quota in the counties and area in the fourth drive must be met by non-banking sources.

Arnold Heads Organization

As Mr. Rohr made the announcement, the Lucas County campaign organization, headed by Hazen S. Arnold, chairman, shaped its plans for the most comprehensive campaign yet undertaken.

"Because of the fact that purchases by banks will not be included in the quota," Mr. Arnold said, "responsibility for going over the top will rest more than ever before upon our citizens and the heads of non-banking business establishments.

"Here is our opportunity to meet the challenge of the Treasury Department's slogan in this campaign: 'Let's All Back the Attack.'

"I ask all citizens of Lucas County to prepare today to increase their purchase of bonds, either through the payroll allotment plan, or the purchase of extra bonds, or both."

Government Takes Over

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28—Military authorities took over the railroads last night at 7 p. m. acting in accord with order given by Pres. Roosevelt. Most of the railroad unons had agreed to call their strike off. The President explained that he could not afford to have the railroads tied up and could not wait until the last minute for settlement of the wage controversy.

WFA Extends Milk Subsidy

WASHINGTON—(FP) — War Food Administration's milk subsidy, averaging about ¾c a quart on fluid milk, will be extended a month beyond its Dec. 31 expiration date to quell a sharp drop in production.

Cost of the subsidy, which was started in October to prevent increased prices for consumers, is expected to total about $50 million for the three month period.

Morning Ring Missed By Many

WASHINGTON (FP) — American families talk about elastic much more often than about durable goods and appliances when asked what shortages are "bothering" them, but the absence of alarm clocks is described by the largest number as causing real inconvenience or hardship, the War Production Board announced.

These facts were revealed in a Survey of Consumer Requirements by WPB's Office of Civilian Requirements. The survey was made public by Vice-Chairman Arthur D. Whiteside.

Company Union Pulls "Boner"

BALTIMORE (FP) — Western Electric Co. officials saw their five war plants here forced into government operation by activities of their company union, the Point Breeze Employes Association.

Negro Hero Lost

WACO, Tex. (FP)—Dorie Miller, first Negro hero of the war, is lost somewhere in the southwest Pacific, his family here has been informed by the Navy Department.

Unions Unite In Louisiana

NEW ORLEANS (FP) — A United Labor Committee of Louisiana was established here on a temporary basis by representatives of the AFL, CIO and Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen (unaffiliated).

Auta Heads Say "No"

DETROIT (FP) — Ford Motor Co., Chrysler and General Motors said no to demands of the United Auto Workers (CIO) for abandonment of the Little Steel formula for wage increases in line with rising living costs.

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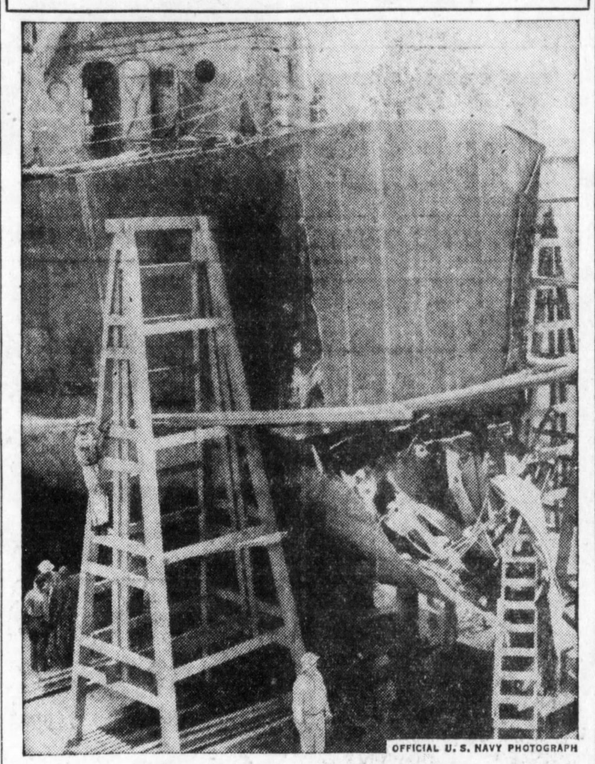

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The bow of this old four-stack destroyer was blasted off in the Caribbean by a U-boat's torpedo. Prompt repairs at sea by a Ship Repair Unit kept her from sinking, enabling her to limp under her own power to a Navy Yard for permanent repairs. There she was fitted with a new bow from a decommissioned ship and sent back into action. It's for emergency jobs like this that the Navy needs men for the SRU's. Petty Officer ratings, with base pay from $78 to $126, plus 20 per cent for overseas service, may be given to qualified, skilled craftsmen. Complete information is available at the Navy Recruiting Station.

Liberal Professor Gets Chicago Job

CHICAGO—(FP)—Prof. Francis Elmer McMahon, leading liberal professor of Notre Dame University who was pressured out of his South Bend teaching job because he would not submit to presidential censorship, has been appointed associate professor of philosophy at the University of Chicago, Pres. Robert M. Hutchins announces.

At Notre Dame it was said that McMahon had embarrassed the because the public did not always university by his pronouncements distinguish between his statements and those of the school, though it was not charged that he himself had tried to make his views seem those of the institution.

War Workers To Get Hot Lunches

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (FP)—War workers will be assured steaming hot lunches—instead of the old-fashioned dinner pail—under a stepped-up program to provide adequate in-plant feeding facilities in war industries announced WPB chief Donald Nelson.

"Experience shows that better nutrition among industrial workers promotes productive efficiency, whereas inability to obtain enough good food in many cases has lowered productivity by causing excessive fatigue, absence from work and turnover," Nelson said.

WMC Reports Expansion In Training Program

WASHINGTON—(FP) — Some 3,300 additional plants have adopted apprenticeship and short-term training programs in the twelve months ending Nov., 1943, War Manpower Commissioner Paul V. McNutt announced.

These 3,300 plants, he said, are in addition to the 28,000 other plants which had similar programs in operation prior to Nov., 1942.

NMU Sues Col. McCormick

CHICAGO (FP) — Col. Robert R. McCormick's Guadalcanal lie about the National Maritime Union (CIO) came sailing home with a $200,000 slander suit in tow. The union is suing McCormick and his isolationist mouthpiece, The Chicago Tribune, for publishing a repeatedly denied story on Jan. 22, 1943, saying that sick and wounded Marines had to unload cargo ships at Guadalcanal because NMU members refused to work on Sunday.

Schools Used Against FDR

BUFFALO, N. Y. (FP) — An attempt by anti-administration forces to use the public school system to spread distrust of Roosevelt and the New Deal was fought here by the Buffalo Industrial Union Council.

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WISHES AUTO-LITE RAISE

Dear Friends:

It is with profound and sincere feelings of gratitude that I send you this little "thank you" Christmas wish. It is great to live in America and know that while we are training and fighting this bitter war to save our country, the boys and girls back on the home front are waging a never-ending struggle to keep living and working conditions on the same high plane that is every American worker's right.

We feel secure in knowing that we will have a real home to come back to, due almost entirely to your untiring efforts. May you all get the raise in wages which you must receive to combat the inflation which our government seems unable to stop. A raise in wages is my Christmas wish for you all.

Thank you is so little to say for the generous check which you could ill afford to send, but I do thank you one and all with all my heart.

GENE.

Pfc. Eugene C. Florian,
Co. I, 377th Infantry,
APO No. 95,
Los Angeles, California.

R. R. Unions Want Pro-Labor Bills

MILWAUKEE (FP) — Joining with the rest of the labor movement for political action, the railroad unions here have set up a permanent legislative council to advance pro-labor bills.

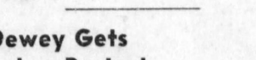
The new organization includes the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks (AFL), the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Brotherhood o fLocomotive Firemen and Enginemen (all unaffiliated).

City Employes Strike

MONTREAL, Que. (FP) — Approximately 2,000 clerks and stenographers belonging to three unions struck against the city government for annual wage increases of $395 to $500. Present wages average $1,020 for single persons and $1,200 for married workers.

Dewey Gets Labor Protest

NEW YORK (FP)—Organized labor protested to Gov. Thomas E. Dewey over a drill of the 4th Regiment of the New York State Guard in the technique of putting down labor "agitators" with bayonets.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LITTLE LUTHER

It's socialism! That's what it is!" exclaimed Mr. Dilworth very wrathfully, throwing down his evening paper.

"You're right, Pop," replied Luther. "Socialism is socialism, all right. Probably always will be. Music is music. Philosophy is philosophy and Hoover is—"

"Shut up! I'm losing my patience. This country is going straight to the dogs."

"Why, Pop. You said nobody went straight any more. Anyway, maybe the dogs like it."

"Young man, you're getting too big for your britches. You know good and well what I mean."

"Sure! You mean somebody is getting a living wage?"

"No, I don't. I mean these labor-management committees the War Production Board is setting up. They're nothing but communism."

"A minute ago you said they were socialism. They certainly move fast, dont they?"

"Don't get smart with me, young man. I'll tan your hide."

"Watch out for the tanners' union, Pop."

"Unions! Unions! That's the trouble with business today. Too many unions. Now they're setting up labor-management committees. It's pure tommyrot."

"Maybe it comes under the pure food and drug act."

"Pretty soon companies won't even own their own industries."

"You said the other day they were all owned by widows and orphans anyway."

"So I did. But somebody has to manage them."

"Oh, you mean the labor-management committees?"

"No, I don't. That's mis-management. You can't manage business with a committee."

"How about a board of directors, Pop?"

"Thats different."

"Different people, you mean."

"Certainly. Workers don't know anything about factories."

"Why, you said in a speech that labor was the backbone of the country."

"When?"

"On Labor Day."

"Oh, that."

"Didn't you mean it, Pop?"

"Of course I meant it. Workers are the backbone of the country. Without workers ——"

"Without workers there would not be any profit."

"That's right. And without profits—"

"There wouldn't be any Republican Party."

"Don't sneer at the Republicans, my boy. They will set our house in order."

"You mean the doghouse."

"No. I mean that with men like Hoover and Landon and Senator Nye at the helm, the ship of state will march straight—"

"How does a ship march, Pop?"

"I mean the march will ship straight—Oh, you've got me all mixed up."

"No, no. You mean the doghouse will hoover around the helm and landon the ship of state. That's pretty near it, Pop. Good night."

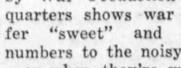
Maternity Program At New High

WASHINGTON (FP) — Total number of cases cared for under the government's maternity and infant care program for wives and babies of enlisted men in the four lowest pay grades of the four services reached a new high of 131,460 on Dec. 1, Katherine Lenroot, chief of the Labor Department's children's bureau, reported.

Miss Lenroot said 33,142 applications had been approved in November alone. Plans for cooperating in the program from Louisiana and Texas health departments had also been approved, she said, leaving North Dakota the only state which has not yet worked out a plan.

Workers Prefer "Sweet" Music

Pistol Packin Mama can lay right down and die, as far as most war workers are concerned. A scientific music experiment made by War Production Drive headquarters shows war workers prefer "sweet" and semi-classical numbers to the noisy, fast-rhythm ones when they're working.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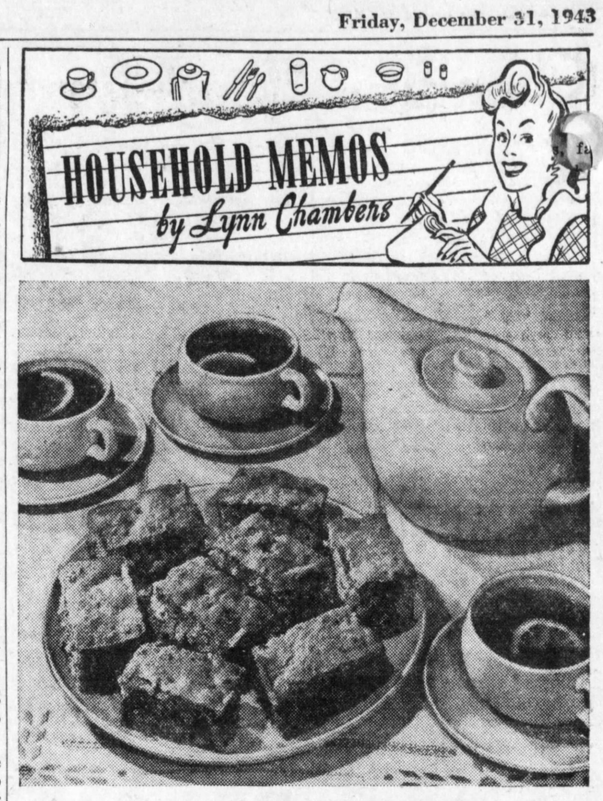

Conserve Sugar, but Satisfy Sweet Tooth
(See Recipes Below)

Saving on Sugar

Extensive summer and fall canning has left many a family low on sugar. Homemakers are writing in and asking for recipes which will give their families "just something to satisfy the sweet tooth"—but that something must be sugar-saving.

Now that jellies are rationed you may have to use what sugar you can get for putting up those juices you canned during summer for jelly—and that means there will be less sugar than before left for baking uses. Sugar substitutes can be utilized not only in cakes and cookies but desserts and icings. Many cake recipes, too, can be made with less sugar than they call for.

Fruits-in-season now include cranberries which are perfectly delicious in this steamed pudding:

Steamed Cranberry Pudding
(Serves 4)

2 cups fresh cranberries
1⅓ cups flour
½ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon cinnamon
¼ teaspoon cloves
¼ teospoon mace
2 teaspoons soda
½ cup hot water
½ cup molasses

Mix flour, salt, spices and soda; cut cranberries in two and add to dry ingredients. Combine hot water and molasses; blend with first mixture. Transfer to greased pudding mold; cover and steam 2½ hours. Unmold and serve with your favorite pudding sauce.

Do chocolates satisfy the sweet tooth in your family? Here is a light, lovely dessert:

Chocolate Puff Souffle
(Serves 6)

½ 7-ounce package semi-sweet chocolate
1 cup milk
3 tablespoons sugar
Pinch of salt
1 tablespoon vanilla
3 eggs

Melt chocolate with milk in top of double boiler. Beat with egg beater until smooth. Add sugar, salt, vanilla and unbeaten eggs; beat with egg beater 1 minute. Cover, and cook over boiling water 20 minutes without lifting cover. Remove from heat and serve immediately with cream.

It is possible to make cakes without any sugar at all, but better results can be achieved if some sugar is used in the cake. Too many all-syrup cakes have a coarse texture to which we are unaccustomed after years of light, fine-grained cakes. Here are suggestions which you can be proud to add to your wartime cookery collection:

All-Bran Prune Cake.
(Makes an 8 by 8 inch pan)
⅓ cup milk
½ cup bran cereal
.. cup butter or margarine
⅔ cup sugar
1 egg
1 cup flour
1½ teaspoons baking powder
½ teaspoon nutmeg
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 cup chopped cooked prunes

Pour milk over bran cereal and allow to soak for about 10 minutes. Blend butter and sugar thoroughly, add egg and beat until mixture is light and fluffy. Stir in soaked bran cereal. Sift flour with baking powder and spices; mix in chopped prunes and add to mixture. Spread in greased cake pan and bake in a moderate (350-degree) oven about 35 minutes.

***Molasses Gingerbread**

1 cup molasses
2 tablespoons butter or margarine
¼ cup sour cream
2 eggs
1 cup flour
¼ teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon soda
1 teaspoon ginger
½ teaspoon allspice
½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
½ teaspoon ground cloves

Heat molasses and butter. When the latter is melted, remove from the fire; add sour cream and beaten eggs. Mix remainder of ingredients together and sift into liquid mixture. Pour into cake pans lined with greased paper and bake in a slow oven about 30 minutes. Serve hot with cold applesauce or frost with cream cheese-powdered sugar icing, flavored with lemon or orange juice.

Have you enough sugar for a favorite white cake but not enough for an icing? Then here's the answer in a lovely topping which does not require too much honey:

Honey Topping.

4 tablespoons butter or margarine
4 tablespoons sugar
4 tablespoons flour
4 tablespoons honey
½ cup chopped nuts or coconut

Cream butter, add sugar, mixing well. Add flour and honey and beat until well blended. Fold in nutmeats or coconut. Spread on cake which is still warm from baking and place under broiler until topping bubbles.

If you want sugar-saving suggestions, write to Lynn Chambers, Western Newspaper Union, 210 South Desplaines Street, Chicago, Illinois. Don't forget to enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope for your reply.

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Champion Sparklets

e second shift has three more s in the hospital, namely, Cinda Stimmel, Mary Diebler and Lillian Hashem. We sincerely hope you girls are feeling better and that you will all be back with us soon.

Truey Velker was the first victim in Dept. D to pay her fine for non-attendance of unit meetings. She always wanted to be a first something or other all her life, so she has the dubious honor of being the first one in this particular category. Sorry it had to happen right before Christmas, Truey, but it's for a good thing and we know you didn't mind.

There is a girl on the stud table in Dept. E who is looking for a man with lots of pep and plenty of pulchritude. She never misses out on anything so how can she miss out o: this?

We don't know the correct procedure on catching mice, but Hilda Coulter of Dept. E and the secretary of the Credit Union set her trap one night and caught one and one-half mice. Now she has her trap set again to catch the other half. Do you suppose the back legs are still running around the factory somewhere?

Many lost articles are turned in to the committee office. Anyone who has lost a bunch of keys, a male identification bracelet, or a tie pin with a blue set can have same by calling at the office.

There have been many people out sick recently with colds and the flu. These employes have swamped the office with phone calls asking how long they can stay out without losing their jobs. Page 7 of the contract states very plainly and in very simple terms what the procedure is for those who are ill. Please read page 7 and digest the rules. Every employe should be familiar with them. It's too late to learn them r you've lost your job. Ignor- of the rules is no excuse, as ddpappy used to say.

is the packer on the V-type in D who holds out on the r collection every time her goes bad and the trouble is not corrected right away. Some logic. On the other side of the picture we have Mabel McDowell, also of D, who gives a dollar each week towards the boys in service. Perhaps she realizes better than a lot of others that the money goes to boys who may give their lives for those very ones who run towards the rest rooms when they see the collection basket coming their way.

The Champion Unit Executive Committee extends best wishes to the membership for a happy New Year. May the coming year bring health, good luck and happiness to all of you. We hope 1944 brings victory to the Allies and that the victorious conclusion of the war will bring your loved ones home from the many far-flung fronts to a peaceful America—an America that will be wide awake and deeply conscious of the problems that will be the inevitable result of the Peace. It will be the job of the unions to play an integral part through the medium of its membership in the many problems that will confront us. Let us hope that each one of you will be ready to do your share to help build the kind of world that will produce an everlasting peace.

Florence Justice, Myrtle Heins and Minnie Schlegel of Dept. D wish to thank their fellow workers for the many beautiful gifts they received.

The boys in Dept. K chipped in and bought a dart game which they put to good use every noon hour. They have two teams — the Yanks and the Cards. At the present time the Yanks are slightly ahead, but the Cards say it won't be long. Top home sluggers are Cap Andrews, Jimmy Hedja and Andy Beczynski.

We have a farmer in the Engineering Repair who gets 175 eggs per day out of 150 chickens. Is that right, Carl?

We see where Romeo of Dept. B, second shift, is giving a lot of attention to a girl on the first floor of the Aviation building. Watch that stuff, Slim!

Wall St. Journal Admits Roads Can Pay

NEW YORK — (FP) — Here's what The Wall Street Journal, organ of reactionary, entrenched capital, thinks about the ability of railroads to meet their employes' wage demands:

"Most roads are in the excess profits brackets anyway, and those which are not have made provision for higher pay rates. The remainder will switch 81c out of tax accruals for each dollar increase in payrolls. Many have over-accrued federal taxes for that reason. Management would gladly settle for the 8c-an-hour increase (for non-operating employes) refused by the Office of Economic Stabilization."

The Waggin' Tongue of Local 12

This being Christmas Week we don't want to take up too much space or too much of your time. We know that all of you are very busy, but nevertheless we must tell you how it felt to entertain the tots at our Christmas party on Sunday, Dec. 19.

We were very excited when we arrived at the Civic Auditorium, for it was just like a "First Night" at the theater before the curtain goes up on a new show. It was really a thrill to view the smiling faces of the eager little tots. That certainly gets a fellow.

We did the best we could to entertain them and to make them forget their little troubles for awhile. We were rewarded by their childish delight and pleading for more. That was "Seventh Heaven" if there is such a place. It was well worth the time to spare a few hours helping to lighten the burdens of the Christmas party committee.

To everyone everywhere we wish a Happy New Year!

National Supply

By Shorty Sager

By "Shorty" Sager

One of our hardest working union men is Loren Carter, night executive committeeman in Dept. 86. Loren has done a remarkable job this year in handling grievances for his fellow workers. He is willing at all times to do any good union brother a favor. We need men like you, Loren, so on behalf of our whole Unit, I will say thanks a million for contributing so much of your time to help our Unit stay strong,

I recently overheard a remark that the Willys-Overland Flying Squadron had their hands in all of Local 12 entertainment. I would like to say that if we had half as many active workers in our Unit as the Willys-Overland has, we would take just as big a part in these entertainments. So, fellows, let's give the Flying Squadron a vote of thanks and let's get our National Supply Squadron also interested in all of Local 12 affairs.

AROUND THE SHOP

Louie Angel, P.F.C., 400th Armored Field Battalion, was recently in the shop on a furlough. He formerly was from Dept. 85 and is stationed at Fort Knox, Ky.

Dept. 84 timekeeper, who has recently established himself as a big business man, has made three trips to the liquor store, only to have the door close in his face each time. You know the old saying, Ray, three times and out.

There is a rumor in the flat scraping department that John Schlegel goes outside every Christmas Eve to shoot his shotgun, then runs in the house and tells the kids that Santa Claus is dead.

BASKETBALL TEAM

Our National Supply basketball team is entered in the Y.M.C.A. Industrial League and plays its games every Tuesday night at the Y. Let's get over there some evening and give these boys a little moral support, and also take a look at their new uniforms.

The Navy Welders think it would be a good idea if they could get a stove or salemander for the Bullard operators in Dept. 85 so they could keep warm.

The boys in Dept. 86 are going to move Dick Stambaugh's work bench outside, so he can get plenty of fresh air.

Paul Fey, formerly of Dept. 36, now staff sergeant in the Army, was home recently on a furlough and sure did look in the pink. Paul is stationed at Fort Eustic, Va.

Jimmy Davis, sweeper in Dept. 85, reports that the guys who use sugar in their coffee are "sissies." He now is using pepper and claims it is "hot stuff."

Eddie Dressel, Jr., in the Navy Shipping, has been inducted in the Navy. We all wish Eddie loads of luck.

The boys in Dept. 38 are waiting for the day that Slim Studyvin will shave and start walking on his hands.

Chuck Haas from the tool room, a member o the MESA, is now an Aviation Cadet and is stationed at Iowa Preflight, Iowa City. Chuck was through the shop the other day on a furlough and looks in trim. We wish you many happy landings, Chuck.

Holding the Line on Guadalcanal

By Kyle Crichton

(WNU Feature—Through special arrangement with Collier's Weekly.)

Not until the history of the war is written will it be known how close we came to getting driven out of Guadalcanal. The Japs could have done it by coming down in force, but even their minor efforts were tough enough, a hundred Zeros at a time being faced by far smaller groups of our planes.

"Our fliers from all branches—army, navy and marines—went up there and shot them down," says Vice Admiral McCain. "Those young pilots took a beating unequaled in the annals of war. Without relief, they fought day after day, night after night, for weeks."

The toughest job was getting in supplies, and there were dozens of instances of heroism in that work. In the early stages of the invasion, the planes at Henderson Field were running short of fuel, mainly due to losses of stored gasoline from enemy bombing. It was finish for the marines if the Japs got air control.

"We held a conference with the commanding officers of the small seaplane tenders," says the admiral. "They were converted from old four-stack destroyers, leftovers from the First World War. We asked the skippers to estimate how many drums of gasoline each could carry. One by one they quoted their figures. Finally, Commander John Alderman spoke up and said: I'll take exactly twice that much.'

Gasoline Gets Through

"We didn't ask how. We simply gave him the job. He really loaded that ship of his with gasoline. One small bomb from a Jap plane would set him off. He ran his ship through the Jap gauntlet, in the dead of night, at full speed, and landed the gasoline at Lunga Point, near Henderson Field. We learned later that the planes on Guadalcanal would have been bone dry next morning if he hadn't got through.

"On his way back from a second trip, in which he eluded an interceping force, he was overtaken by Jap bombers. He shot down four of them, but one of the remaining five scored a hit on his stern that put the rudder out of commission. He managed to wabble the ship over to Tulagi, put into a cove, tied up to a cliff and concealed the ship with trailing tree branches and vines. While hidden there, he managed to improvise a makeshift rudder and finally got the ship back to a safe port where she has since been repaired and is again in service. That's the kind of boys we had out there."

On Guadalcanal, the marines were learning fast, too. "It was tough at first," says the admiral, "with the Japs setting off their silly fireworks and trying to fool the boys with cries of 'Hey, Joe,' but the marines soon caught on to that and proceeded to invent tricks the Japs would never in a thousand years have dreamed up. The outstanding fact of this war is the versatility, adaptability, courage and toughness of American boys. Presumably—before the war, that is—they were considered our softest generation. Rather, they go back to the pioneers."

It was shown clear at Guadalcanal that the PBY's were no match for the Zeros, and a point was reached when it was necessary to use a few bombers as reconnaissance planes in "hot" sectors. Even though the fighters were knocking the faster and more maneuverable Zeros out of the air at the rate of eight and nine to one, the loss of the one plane, multiplied over daily battles, soon became serious. A crisis was reached on Guadalcanal when they were finally down to five fighters and 15 bombers. It was then that a huge task force of the Japs was reported 300 miles off, with battleships, carriers, destroyers and cruisers.

"We had about 50 ships in the harbor at Espiritu Santo," says the admiral, "but we soon got them out of there and scattered over the sea, leaving only two that had a few anti-aircraft guns and might do us some good. We evacuated our huts and took to slit trenches and waited. Our bombers being used as scouting planes kept reporting the steady progress of the Jap fleet straight for us—and then, for no reason I was ever able to understand, they turned around and went back!

Superb Training

"The United States navy had the most superbly trained carrier groups that ever entered a war," he says flatly. "The next best were the Japanese. All the things we worked out in maneouvers before the war have been successfully used since.

"The captain of a battleship might stop any one type of attack, whether it is dive bombing, torpedo planes, skip bombing or high-level stuff, but when you combine them all, as our navy fliers do, there isn't a ship in the world with enough firepower to shoot them down.

VICTORY'S SONS

EVERY MAN of his platoon of Marine machine-gunners had been killed or wounded by the Japs, who had pierced the American lines on Guadalcanal, one day in October, 1942. Sergeant (now 1st Lieutenant) Mitchell Paige might well have abandoned the position, and retreated to save himself. But he didn't.

Manning the machine-guns himself, he held off the enemy charge. When one gun jammed, he ran to the other. When that one quit, he dashed to the adjacent unit and borrowed a gun, returning to battle under heavy fire.

Then, when the reinforcements came up, he formed the line and led a bayonet charge that drove the Japs far back.

"Without his outstanding action and courageous action in the face of overwhelming odds," reads the citation accompanying his Congressional Medal of Honor, "the enemy would have succeeded in exploiting their break-through."

Auto-Lite News

"Happy New Year" to our members in the Armed Forces. We are proud of you.

Mike Damass from Plant 15, now stationed in Itay, remembered every one in the Service Men's Club with a beautiful Christmas card. Your time spent in remembering makes our time and effort seem worthwhile. Thanks from all of us. Plant 15, special notice! Lost—one wallet, filled with folding money. Owner, Wanda Plicinski.

Lucky Virginia Liggett, Dept. 108, Plant 15! Could you use assistance carrying that "Glue Pot" to have it filled?

Ketcham avenue inspectors claim "peace reigns supreme" now that their lines have been straightened out.

Lillian Copsey, inspection, surprised her co-workers with a bewitching new hair style. Very becoming.

Margaret Wuethrich, drill line, novice at bowling, drops ball, breaks toe, requests rubber ball to insure future safety of digits.

The winner of the "Men's Plaid Shirt Contest" of Dept. 2 goes to Jim Roberts.

Violet Hines has the honor of operating the only singing lathe in Dept. 2. When she is absent no song does it emit.

Toddy Campbell's Marine heart throb is to be home for Christmas. Better rewrap that locket, Toddy!

Dorothy Roby, lathe line, has serenity of spirit to spare. After losing $42.00 worth of Sears' budget coupons, she calmly announced the loss to Dolly Hill and remarked, "They are all honest around here."

Such faith should be rewarded.

Belated birthday greetings to Amy Oman. Reports from your party prove the "lathe line" never forgets a pal.

We extend our sympathy to Mildred Bryan, Dept. 2. Her brother was killed in action November 11 while serving his country in Italy.

The Union meeting Sunday held a special attraction. Pfc. Robert O'Donnell gave the people present a talk they shouldn't soon forget. Be loyal to your fellow men, write to the boys—they are lonesome for news from home. He gave special thanks for his $3.00 check, not alone for the money, but for the thoughtfulness of his fellow employes. Fellow union members, let's heed Pfc. O'Donnell's advice. Let's be one for all and all for one. Let's stand behind and give credit to those 15 men we have chosen our leaders. Your speech was appreciated, Brother O'Donnell.

Hays Charges American Fascists

NEW YORK — (FP) — Native fascists in this country are using the same tactics which Hitler used to seize power in Germany in 1933, Arthur Garfield Hays, liberal attorney, told and audience of 3,000 in Carnegie Hall celebrating the 10th anniversary of the famous Reichstag Fire trial.

Main purpose of the meeting was to dramatize the use by the trial to whip up an anti-labor hysteria, under cover of which unions were suppressed and labor leaders thrown into concentration camps. High point of the gathering was a skit symbolizing the cross examination of George Dimitrov, Bulgarian Communist, who was the principal defendant.

Speakers included Pres. Michael J. Quill of Aransport Workers Union (CIO); Louis Adamic, author and president of the United Committee of South Slavic Americans; Dr. Channing H. Tobias of the YMCA national board; Sec. Earl Browder of the Communist party; and Chairman Arthur Upham Pope of the Committee for Natl. Morale.

Census Bureau Give Birth Data

WASHINGTON—(FP) — Expecting a baby? The chances it will be a boy are slightly better than 50-50.

The Census Bureau says odds in favor of its being a boy always have prevailed in this country, but that they're the best in 15 years this year.

This is based on 1942 figures, when a ratio of 10,584 boys to every 10,000 girls was established. During World War I odds on boys increased in a number of European countries.

"The idea then grew up this was nature's method of compensating for the loss of male lives in warfare," said the Census Bureau. "Scientists pooh-poohed the idea, but the facts remained, and no adequate explanation was given."

Premium Pay Return Demanded

CAMDEN, N. J. (FP)—Return to Saturdays and Sundays as the premium days for time-and-a-half and double-time wage payments was demanded by the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers (CIO) at a general executive board meeting here.

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GLOBES

War has bred a new interest in maps and globes. Only a globe can accurately show the relative sizes of all areas, the true distance which separate them, and true directions. Although flat maps are useful and necessary for detailed study, a globe is needed for an understanding of the true relationships.

Here are some of the globes which Consumers Union considers give good value for the money: Polar View Globe, No. 604, 6" diameter, $1 from Weber & Costello, Chicago Hts., Ill. Cram Universal Globe, Model 230. 12½" diameter, on fixed axis, $2.79 at map stores. Liberty Globe, G805M. 8" diameter, universal mount, $3.95 from Denoyer-Geppert Co., 5241 Ravenswood Ave., Chicago 40, Ill. Rand McNally AirAge Globe. 12" diameter, universal mount, $6.95 at retail stores.

QUALITY ON THE SKIDS

Low-priced goods are disappearing from the market, Bread & Butter, CU's weekly, reports. Manufacturers are no longer making low-priced women's coats, dresses and blouses. Garments still made have been upgraded all along the line.

Rayon dresses retailing for $2.50 last year now cost $3.30. $8.75's now sell for $10.75. Women's slips which used to wholesale at $6.75 a dozen now cost $15. Cheesecloth which used to be used for chair bottoms, at 4c a yard, now wholesales at 35c a yard for use in blouses, the trade says.

When quality depreciation is counted in, Bread & Butter says, it will be found that actual increases in living costs are far higher than the official figures indicate.

PHONOGRAPH RECORDS

You can still find many good record albums on the market, CU says, in spite of manpower and material scarcities. A dealer may receive one excellent shipment of a certain album, followed by a bad one. Records within a single album may vary in quality. It's necessary, therefore, to try out every disk for surface defects.

Many important new albums have been published, both of modern and classical music. Among those highly recommended are:

Bach: Violin Concerto in E Major (Columbia M-530, $3.50).

Barber: Adagio for Strings (Victor 11-8287, $1).

Rimsky-Korsakov Scheherezade (Victor M-920, $5.50).

Schubert: Trio in B-flat, Op. 99 (Victor M-923, $4.50).

Shostakovich: Quartet, Op. 49 (Columbia X-231, $2.50).

Songs of Free Men: Robeson (Columbia M-534, $3.50).

Villa-Lobos: The Baby's Family (Columbia 17355-D, 75c).

Wagner: Traume and Schmerzen (Columbia 71469-D, $1).

Willys Seeing Eye

WE HOPE

We sincerely hope that you were a favorite of Santa Claus, like some of those kiddies were at the Local 12 Christmas party. And that Santa Claus really looked authentic, the real McCoy. Wonder why some of the people called him "Toots." They must like him.

SLUG

Look girls from the Bullet Core. I don't blame you for being mad because our reporter Bill Close informed us that the group of girls from Dept. 685 were from Aviation. What can you expect of a slug like Close besides a lot of bum steers and corny jokes? Sorry, we won't let Bill do it again.

PROMISE

Doris Morelock is going to keep her promise to that attractive blonde and show her a good time, since she was one of the lucky gals in aviation who benefits from the new rates. She likes the increase and thats not all. By the way Doris, just where do we come in on that increase? Oh, we don't!

THE CURE

Pirate Carson of time study is cured, or at least he seems to be. Pirate is the guy who goes around bumming his lunch of the boys and enjoys it. Then somebody slipped him a cheese sandwich that was seven days old and he ate it. And now, he's cured.

DATA

Betty Rhaton, the extra cute mesenger has been throwing back the boquets which Dick McDonald of the badge department has been tossing at her. Dick tried to make up to one of the monkeys at the indoor circus...but what are we saying? There is a moral in this somewhere.

Bill Moore has had to make allowance for Mary Winkle of the employment office, because she has been trying to be a USO club all by her little self. Better take it easy Mary, because those dark circles under your eyes are not an aid to beauty.

The hot house gang has volunteered to the man to donate Vic Mueller a few pints of blood so they can open the windows and catch a breath of that nice fresh Willys-Overland air every now and then.

PLEASE MR. DE ANGELO

The traffic jam on Central Ave. could be greatly eased if a patrolman could get to the gates on time. Of course, we know the police department is working shorthanded; but we could like to see something done about our traffic situation.

IT PAYS

Whitey Conyers was honored by the boys under his supervision at a luncheon Dec. 23 at the Chinese Village. Whitey came up from the ranks and the boys presented him with a billfold inscribed "to a swell boss."

Profits And Prices Rise

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27—(FP) — Corporation profits for the third quarter of this year were $5,700,000 before taxes, "the highest for any quarter in American economic history and 16% above the same quarter of 1942," the Dept. of Commerce announced.

Even after deduction of taxes big business did all right for itself, with corporation profits "slightly more than $2,000,000,000, 6% above the 1943 quarter."

Corporation profits after taxes are expected to reach the "all-time high" of about $8,000,000,000 for the year, the dept. said. Profits before taxes are also expected to set a new record, it said, estimating them at between $22,000,000 and $23,000,000,000.

The Acklinite

by Lewis Mattox

Frank Weckwert is doing a good job as trustee for the Acklin Unit. We all appreciate Frank and know that he is one of our best members.

Every one of Mary Coyles fellow workers wish her a speedy recovery. She is on the sick list.

Thanks to all those who worked so hard and so successfully to make our Christmas party the fine event it was. This was considered the best party the girls ever put on.

Bernard wants to thank all the girls for the beautiful gifts.

We wish Agnes Geddes a speedy recovery from her recent accident. We are sorry about your tough luck Agnes and hope you'll soon be back with us.

Tillie from the inspection dept. is a candidate or Toledo Glamor Girl. Her competitor is auburn-haired Helen Ziethlow from the production line.

Negotiations for increase vacation benefits for the coming year have been opened with the company management.

On behalf of the executive shop committee, I want to extend our best wishes to all the members of Acklin Unit for a Happy New Year and a lot of good breaks for 1944.

CLOSED

In order to give the dues office employes an opportunity to enjoy the New Year holiday, the dues office will be closed from Friday, Dec. 31 at 2:30 p. m. to Monday, Jan. 3. Dues payments may be mailed to Local 12, but must bear a Dec. 31 postmark.

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New NAM Head

In the election of Robert M. Gaylord to the presidency of the National Association of Manufacturers, the association has a fitting successor for Frederick C. Crawford, who served during the past year and now becomes chairman of the board of directors of the association.

Mr. Gaylord is head of the Ingersoll Milling Machine Co. of Rockford, Illinois, a plant whose employes belong to a company dominated union, the Industrial Employes' Association, and yet have no written labor contract.

In accepting the head job with the NAM, Mr. Gaylord expressed himself by saying that he was "an ordinary punk who started out to work after school and kept on working."

Mr. Gaylord's ideas can be summed up in his own words, "I don't know the difference between management problems and labor problems." And "let the men working at the bench know the head of the business. Not call him by his first name. This first name stuff is the bunk. It's affectation in many places. The men ought to know what you look like, know where you live, see you occasionally. A plant manager ought to get over his properties."

According to the new NAM head, men who attempt to organize are guilty of "conspiracy. It stifles competition."

With such views and not forgetting the fact that the NAM's head for the next 12 months was one of the main backers of the America First Committee when it was organized in his home town of Rockford, we cannot help but agree with the Rockford Labor News when it declares that Gaylord is well suited to "rock the cradle and mother the ideas of the union-hating NAM."

The New Year

As we approach the threshold of the new year, we realize that many things, most of them unpleasant, are in store for the people of this country in 1944.

Invasion of the continent of Europe promised us by our President after his conferences in Cairo and Teheran with the heads of the other United Nations, is almost certain to bring great loss of life and many thousands in wounded soldiers, mostly American boys, since the brunt of the invasion is going to be borne by American soldiers.

What the next few months of the war is going to bring this country is a matter of conjecture, for it is a certainty that Germany has had a long time to prepare for the invasion and will not be caught napping.

Threats of inflation at first whispered in 1943, have become loud, and will apparently become a serious reality in 1944. Despite efforts of the workers to prevent inflation, it now appears that it will require greater effort, almost heroic measures on the part of the government to stem the tide which cannot help but work a hardship now and after the war on the workers of the country.

Fortunately for man, he is gifted with more hindsight than foresight and not too much of the former. Yet, we face the future confident that our people will meet whatever it may bring, as they have always met the circumstances of time and conditions, with courage and the ability to win through.

Our hope for a Happier 1944 is not lessened because of our uncertainty. Rather it is our expression of confidence in the workers to meet the uncertainties of the future with the will to win.

The New Deal

News from Washington that President Roosevelt has decided to junk the name New Deal as descriptive of his administration and substitute for it "Win the War" creates in us absolutely no reaction.

Since the present congress entered upon its duties one year ago, the New Deal has been sabotaged and attacked from dozens of angles and on all sides. It has been subjected to criticism and insults and been kicked around by those who have hated and feared the administration.

Labor has no illusions about the New Deal. It has suffered along with the administration because the foes of both are in the same camp. Labor alone can preserve and salvage the New Deal from the ravages of war and the reaction which has swept the country for the past three years. Labor alone can assure itself a continuation of the policies of the New Deal now and in the post-war world by uniting and fighting the common fight for economic justice.

The new year 1944 shall decide whether or not the principles of the New Deal shall be continued. The answer is up to labor in the elections of the coming year.

What's New?

By Edward Duck,
Educational Director, Local 12

THE SWARTZBAUGH CASE

Fifteen months have elapsed since we first met in contract negotiations with the management of the Swartzbaugh Mfg. Co., yet we are still at it.

Edward J. Duck

Our second contract should have been signed with the Swartzbaugh Co. last Sept. 29, but we have not even signed the first one yet, although we have spent more than 200 hours in negotiations.

Wages, one of the controversial points, have never been frankly or sincerely discussed, nor have we come to any conclusion on the "bonus" system which forces the employee to give half his bonus earnings to the company.

All the efforts of the Swartzbaugh management to make it appear that the workers in the plant are members of one big, happy family fall upon sterile soil in the face of the company's implied contention that time study is none of the union's business, as well as the attitude of the company that it will give the workers nothing unless and until ordered to do so by the War Labor Board.

A NEW LEAF

Workers at Swartzbaugh's thing it's about time for the company management to turn over a new leaf, and this would be an appropriate time of year to do it. New Year's would be a fine time for the company to make some resolutions, based not entirely upon justice and good will, but based upon the fact which has been proven to many other employers, that this is America and the company can't get away with everything all the time.

It's about time to turn over a new leaf and quit challenging the Board's authority to direct the maintenance of membership and checkoff provisions. That has already been decided in Washington, and no higher personage than Wm. Davis, chairman of the National War Labor Board, upheld the Board's right and was sustained, even in the face of the hostile senate investigation.

Not a single wage adjustment has been made by the Swartzbaugh management, although it must know that on Dec. 12, 1942, there were 14 different rates of pay of the female assembly classification. And what ever became of the assembly rates of 74, 76 and 80 cents?

It's about time for the Swartzbaugh management to make a New Year's resolution to cease seeking to negotiate a cut in pay for the company workers without the knowledge or consent of the union.

And while on the subject of rates, the range for spot welders was from 84 to $1.12 last December, but the company had it changed to 80 to 90 cents per hour. That ought to be material for another resolution for the company, come 1944.

RATES AND RATES

While the company is drawing up its New Year's resolutions, it ought to take into consideration the eight different rates of pay for punch and draw press operators who perform identical work. Why wait and force the government to force a change in these rates? Of course, it's hoping for a lot, but it is New Year's.

And while the company is making its good resolutions for 1944, why not make a resolve to sit down and discuss the unsettled issues before a meeting of all the employees so they will know what's going on?

It is my hope that the company will show its love which it professes for its employes in some more tangible way during 1944, and that too would make a good resolution for the compang year. I'm sure the employes would like to believe the company loves them as much as the company would like to have them believe it, but peope are funny; they want to have things demonstrated to them.

All in all, the words which the Swartzbaugh Co. has used do not, and never have squared up with the actions of the company management in resisting to the utmost every proposal made by the union in behalf of the employes. While this has proven a source of great irritation to the workers, they enter 1944 with the firm belief that they will win their points, and the firm resolve to stick to their guns until a final and satisfactory settlement is made.

With best wishes that the Swartzbaugh Co. will turn over a new leaf in 1944, but absolutely no hopes that the miracle will occur, I am wishing all the Swartzbaugh employes a Happy and Successful New Year.

Ed Duck.

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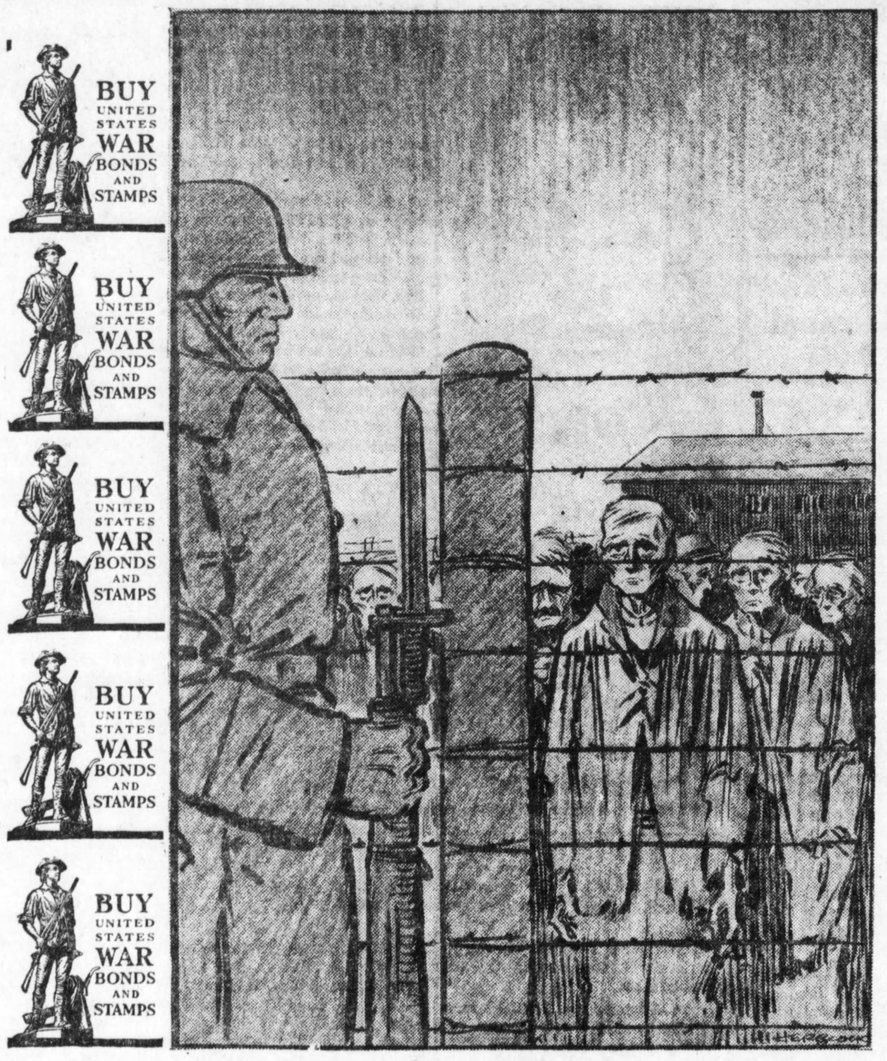
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It's News To Me

By O. J. Pecord

PEERING

As the old year ends, my thoughts peer into the future, which no man can see, and there comes to me a wonderful mirage, a vision of what we may all expect to view if fate so wills is.

It is the day of victory, the victory which we shall have purchased with our sweat and blood and tears, just as the amiable Winston Churchill months ago promised his people it would be purchased.

O. J. Pecord

Ah, Victory! What a glorious word, what a glorious chapter in the history of the world. Can't you see it all now—the flags waving, bands playing, confetti drifting down like snow from the buildings, people shrieking, crying and laughing as they scramble for points of vantage and purchase small 10-cent American flags from the hawkers for the small sum of 25 cents. Artillery rolling by, airplanes flying overheard, rumbling tanks, marching feet, clanking bayonets, the pageantry of triumphant democracy celebrating a glorious victory over the forces of totalitarian Fascism.

SWEET VICTORY

Ah! At last, sweet Victory! Glorious Victory! Our enemies lie groveling in the dust of despair and defeat and unconditional surrender. Our cause is vindicated. Glorious democracy, truth and righteousness triumphant. The God of Hosts is with us, for we and not the Nazis have won.

Factories close down, people refuse to work, schools are empty, saloons are crowded, everybody is talking about the surrender of the enemy. Yipee! we have won. Yes, sir, they can't fool with we Americans. And now we'll have peace. Ah, peace! How we have longed for peace. How we have yearned for the good old days before the war. The WPA, unemployment compensation, and all the things that we became accustomed to during the 10 years preceding the war.

Suddenly, someone remembers to ask, "what will become of us?" but the question has already been answered by a thousand managements all over the country. Men will find it out tomorrow when they go to take their accustomed places in the factory, and run into a sign which carries the legend: "Temporarily Closed to Reconvert to Normal Production. Employes Will Be Notified When They Are to Return to Work."

AFTER VICTORY?

Men begin to wonder what will happen now that the war is over. More men will be added to the lists of unemployed by the returning soldiers who have been given mustering-out pay by a grateful government. They will in time join their fellow workers, formerly known as "war workers", in the long lines before the windows of the employment offices to apply for unemployment compensation. They will grumble. "Is this what I fought for?" but they will wait their turn just like the rest to insure themselves enough to hold them until the promised boom takes place.

Weeks go by. Little by little industry gets into production. Cars and airplanes, radios, electrical equipment, old and new gadgets begin to come off the production lines. Prices are high, too high to give the fellows who work enough money to purchase all the things they need and want. Credit becomes loose again. Installment purchasing is the order of the day. The Smiths and the Jones compete to see which one can outdo the other.

Men begin to grumble as prices outstrip wages. Industry is in the saddle. A good old solid Republican is in the White House. Industry is sound. We are all going to get rich. Poverty is rapidly disappearing from the land. Old slogans dressed up in new words appear. Real estate booms. The stock market soars. Get on board, little children, we're heading at last for the promised land.

THE WARNINGS

Warnings are sounded by a few pessimistic people. Labor leaders warn of dangers ahead. Speculation grows apace. Yipee, we're all gonna get rich. New buildings are being constructed. New theatres, new hospitals, new homes spring up to handle the ever-increasing number of people who can afford to go to shows, to hospitals or own homes. We are a nation of home owners. True, they may be heavily mortgaged, but at least we're buying them.

A small, dark cloud on the horizon grows larger; but men pay no attention. Merrily we roll along, hell bent for prosperity, we're on the toboggan heading straight for permanent prosperity.

Then, scare headlines. The bottom falls out of our world. Men with big names fall off some of the newly constructed buildings. Alarm gives way to panic. Politicians assure the people that industry is essentially sound. Unemployment and want spreads. Federal work projects, long planned against this day, are dusted off and put into effect. Men grow impatient and angry. Women and children need warm clothes. Mortgages are foreclosed. Big buildings stand half rented. Hospitals become strangely quiet, tenantless homes are seen on all sides. Some public benefactor opens a soup kitchen. The cycle is completed.

CAN IT HAPPEN?

And this, gentle reader, is what I saw as I peered into the future. This and a lot more. Can it happen again you ask yourself, and the answer is, it has happened time and again. It is up to you. Follow your Union, elect your own people to office, organize and educate and the future is yours to command.

I wish you all a Happier New Year.

Editor's Mail

Criticizes Ads

Dec. 21, 1943

Letter to the Editor Column:

In various issues of the UNION JOURNAL there have appeared paid advertisments of the Spicer Manufacturing Co.

As a member of Local 12 I strenuously object to this seeming policy of allowing corporations to counter-act the purpose of a labor newspaper.

On one hand through the editorials and general news write-up we get a workers point of view (as it should be); and on the other, we accept advertisements from a corporation whose best interests are not ours in any sense of the word.

I would like to refer to one in the JOURNAL of December 10. A Benjamin Franklin quote is used "The way to wealth—depends chiefly on two words, industry and frugality; that is, waste neither time nor money, but make the best use of both. He that gets all he can HONESTLY (my capitals), and saves all he gets (necessary expense excepting), will certainly become rich——."

This is the bunk the National Association of Manufacturers tosses to us in our own labor newspaper. It shouldn't be necessary to point out how the big corporations make their money. All of us who have to work for a living know how the employers try to keep our wages down—if they had their way we would not even get enough of subsists on. We know of the enormous profits they are making out of this war to "end all wars." We know of the profits they gain from the exploitation of the colonial peoples to the point of allowing these peoples to starve while they grow enormously rich.

We all realize that stealing in the millions is legal (monopolies etc.); when some stole food for their families in the period of depression they were sentenced to jail for long terms. How can we be thrifty or "frugal" when our pay checks are drained from us on all sides through unequal taxes. When a tax bill which would limit the profits of the corporations is put forth they yell bloody murder.

Try to understand if you can a situation in which millions of men are being killed to defend democracy and here on the other side millions of dollars being made from the slaughter of our youth.

Enough of this, all we have to do fellows is to save our dough and don't buy any yachts and some day we will all be rich. Isn't that what Ben Franklin and the N.A.M. says. Cripes, go out and buy food for your family and see how much you can save. As if I had to tell you.

Then they (N.A.M.) have the guts to say be 'frugal' and we, the workers, can get rich. WHAT A LAUGH!

I hope I have succeeded in putting forth my objections to the use of our TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL as a mouthpiece for the industrialists.

Fraternally yours,
Arthur J. Kaminsky,
W.O. Unit, Local 12

On The Beam

By Clayton W. Fountain

COOPERATORS

The "isms" come and the "isms" go, but the cooperators go marching on.

1944 marks the centennial of the consumer cooperative movement. A century ago, twenty-seven men and one woman fed up with the hardships they suffered as workers in textile mills at Rochdale, England, founded the system of cooperation which today functions all around the world.

Clayton W. Fountain

This handful of weavers organized the Rochdale Society of Equitable Pioneers. Pioneers, indeed! From their small begining, with a little store on Toad Lane, there has developed a net-work of cooperative endeavors and projects which embrace the lives of millions of people.

In spite of wars, depressions and famine, the cooperatives have marched steadily onward, uprooting greed and hatred and spreading their philosophy of cooperation for the common good.

A WORKABLE PLAN

While others gabble noisily about the need for post-war planning, the cooperatives are busily building on the basis of a plan for tomorrow that works today.

Not only does the cooperative plan work today, but it also pays off as it works.

Folks who belong to cooperative organizations enjoy financial benefits which flow from savings in the cost of production and distribution of the things people need to live. Instead of paying fat salaries and profits and dividends to industrialists, bankers and landlords — for the privilege of consuming food, shelter, clothing and essential services — the cooperators own and operate their own stores, warehouses, factories, etc., for their own benefit.

Unearned income is thus eliminated from the cooperative economic system.

COMPARED TO CAPITALISM

Compared to the capitalistic system under which most of us slave and sweat and suffer, the cooperative system appears as a working example of how people can live as human beings ought to live.

Under capitalism, the greediest individuals grab off the biggest hunks of property and wealth, and run the economic system for their own private gain. Huge fortunes are piled up in the hands of a few powerful families. When these piles of wealth are heaped up high enough in the hands of a rich minority, the common people, the workers and producers, do not have enough purchasing power to buy back the things they produce.

Then the whole works goes bang and topples over. Unemployment spreads, hunger and hardship stalks the land; and when the people get sore and start to organize for action, the plutocrats hire a Hitler to keep order among the masses.

THE COOPERATIVE CURE

Cooperation works the other way around.

The cooperators own their own stores. They own their wholesale houses which supply the stores. They own their factories which supply the wholesale houses. They have their own insurance and banking system.

Under cooperation, all the money which capitalism pays to rich owners as rent, interest, profit and dividends goes to the cooperators themselves. Part of it is spent for education and expansion. Each cooperator has one vote, in all decisions of cooperative policy, so that democracy prevails.

Thus, cooperation eliminates the unearned income which piles up under capitalism and causes depressions. Cooperation keeps the money circulating among those who do the work, and prevents the accumulation of fortunes in the hands of idle parasites.

Cooperation is the practical answer to the worker's prayer.

Who Said Ramey?

Dear Sir:

I read O. J. Pecord's article on Congressman Homer Ramey and hope thousands of our members did likewise. The article most certainly described Congressman Ramey to a "T".

How his work here as a judge (if you knew the truth) ever qualified him for a higher position is a mystery. How in the world he was ever elected to represent labor and the working class passes understanding. Of course, he doesn't.

I couldn't pass up your most interesting column on the truth about Ramey. Good work, and my congratulations.

Yours truly,
Stephen Berasky

Regional Views

By Richard Gosser, Director,
Region 2B, UAW-CIO

THE NEW YEAR

With the coming of the New Year, we of organized labor look forward hopefully to not only holding our gains; but to extending them insofar as this is possible.

Richard Gosser

For the past 12 months, organized labor has been under fire on the legislative fronts in Washington and the various states, where an organized drive has been under way to put restrictions on labor which would weaken, and in some instances, practically destroy labor.

Fortunately, the more radical of the legislative acts aimed at labor have failed to pass, yet, with another year coming up, we may not be quite so fortunate. I want to warn our members that we have not been forgotten, and that the same forces which tried to weaken us in 1943, will be up to their old tricks in 1944.

POLITICAL UNITY

In Toledo, organized labor accomplished a great step in the right direction during 1943 when it organized Labor's Joint Committee for Political Action, an association of labor groups from the AFL, CIO and Railroad Unions.

We not only effected an organization; but we managed to elect people to office whom we believe to be our friends. We know we elected Tom Burke, and believe our votes and activities had a lot to do with electing four additional men to Council.

What we are able to do on the local political front must be accomplished on a national scale if labor has any hopes of making progress. I am not refering to protecting the gains already made, that must be done. What I and other workers are interested in, is the extension of social security laws, better protection for the workers, more adequate compensation for workers injured at their employment or suffering from occupational diseases, and dozens of other considerations in which labor is interested.

It is my feeling that labor can succeed if it will set aside all its organizational differences and realize that the thing that is going to count the most is winning an election. There are many critics of labor who say we cannot do this on a national scale; but I say we not only can do it, but we must do it unless we wish to place ourselves in a position where our organizational differences will trade into nothing.

We look forward to 1944 with hope and in the belief that the workers of the country will realize where their best interests lie and vote accordingly.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

I want to use this occasion to wish all the officers and members of all the UAW-CIO Locals in Region 2-B a Happy New Year. I also wish to extend the greetings of the season to our AFL and Railroad Union brothers associated with us in Labor's Joint Committee for Political Action and express the hope that our political ties will become stronger as we go along. I want to thank everyone who contributed to the success of the last campaign and hope that we may continue to cooperate in unity with each other.

The New Year

By Melvin Schultz,
President, Local 12, UAW-CIO

With 1944 just around the corner, I want to wish the officers and members of Local 12 a Happy New Year. It is my sincere hope that the 1944 will deal kindly with our people, individually and collectively, and that we may all progress toward peace and security.

Melvin Schultz

IMPORTANT EVENT

One of the important events of 1944 will be the induction of our vice-president, Tom Burke into the office of city councilman.

To us, this represents quite a step, for it is the first time in the history of the CIO in Toledo that we have been able to elect one of our members to represent us in the city legislative body.

Tom will be inducted into office, Jan. 3. and it is my hope that as many as possibly can do so will witness the ceremony and wish Tom every success in his new office. The new council body will meet at 7:30 p. m. at which time the newly elected members of the body, as well as those re-elected, will take their oaths of office.

I want to take this opportunity to wish my friend Tom Burke success in his work and extend to him the best wishes of the officers and members of Local 12 for his tenure in office.

A BIG YEAR

All of us can readily see that 1944 is going to be a big year with many important events to occur.

The war which is reaching its climax in Europe might very possibly end this year, with the Pacific war showing promise of ending triumphantly for us.

This year, 1944, will also bring the presidential and national elections in which labor is more vitally interested than any other event except the winning of the war.

This year will be a test of labor's political strength and unity. It will determine whether labor is going to make progress politically, or whether we are going back to the old days when we were divided and kept that way by those who had much to gain by our disunity.

Labor stands to gain or lose in the 1944 elections. There can be no standing still. If we do not unite and remain united, we shall lose more than an election. We shall lose all the economic and social gains which have been accumulated over the past few years.

What will occur in 1944, none of us can tell, yet, we know what must take place if we to remain as one of the greatest forces in the economic and social life of this nation. We must begin now to play an important part in the political field, a part which must not be left until the last few weeks before the primaries and election.

We look forward to 1944 and hope that labor will cross all lines of race, color, and creed to unite in its own interests and win a great victory. We believe that this can and must be done, and I urge all of you to prepare to do your part in behalf of your own economic interest and that of the rest of the workers.

News and Gossip of Stage and Screen

Sitting Pretty? Yes Indeedy!

YOU'LL BE SEEING more of Blonde Marilyn Maxwell in the forthcoming M-G-M musical, "Swing Fever," in which she plays the leading love interest opposite Kay Kyser. Sings, dances, and everything! In case you're interested, she's a pet of the Marines at the San Diego base.

Films To Come

Compiled by Burny Zawodny

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"America"

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Brian Donlevy considers it a very happy coincidence that he was picked by King Vidor for the leading male role, that of a Slovenian immigrant who becomes a top industrial executive, in the new film, "America," soon coming to Loew's. Donlevy's own parents came to this country from Ireland, when he was less than a year old; his father started in a very modest position and steadily worked his way up in a woolen concern, thus providing some sort of general parallel to the theme of the photoplay.

The screen actor's own career has been an adventurous one. As a youngster he slightly expanded on the facts about his age to win a spot as General Pershing's bugler in Mexico. When his parents found out that he had already enlisted, they permitted him to carry through.

During the first World War, Donlevy became a sergeant-pilot with the famed Lafayette Escadrille. He learned to fly every kind of craft in France, spent three years on patrol and pursuit assignments, was wounded twice, and escaped death by a hair's breadth in one plane crash.

After returning home and completing four years of preparatory work in two, Donlevy was appointed to Annapolis. He afterwards found that four years of sea duty would be required before he could transfer to a flying branch of the service, and he decided—happily for Broadway and Hollywood—to see what he could do in the acting field. His avocation for some years had been amateur theatricals, but he soon realized, after weeks of futile pavement pounding in New York, that the professional stage was a much more difficult hurdle.

His important break came when, at the instigation of the late Louis Wolheim, he was given an audition for one of the roles in "What Price Glory." He won the part, and from that time forged ahead to roles of steadily increasing prominence. He showed great versatility, and appeared in succession in melodramatic vehicles, farce-comedy and musical comedy. Some of the shows in which Broadway playgoers saw him were "Rainbow," "Queen Bee," "Up Pops the Devil," "Hit the Deck," "Three Cornered Moon" and "The Milky Way."

It was after the successful New York run of "The Milky Way" that Donlevy accepted a Hollywood contract, and was scheduled for the prize-fighter in Harold Lloyd's cinema version of the play. When the film was delayed he went instead into the part of a Frisco thug in "The Barbary Coast." After that came another gangster role in "Mary Burns, Fugitive."

There were further melodramatic parts in such pictures as "Forty-Six Hours to Kill," "Human Cargo," "Crack-Up," and "Destination Tension"; but it was in "Union Pacific" and "Beau Geste" that Donlevy really made his impact on Hollywood. After the last-named film, offers came to him of promising roles from many different directions.

"Destry Rides Again" was another step ahead, and in the leading role of "The Grant McGinty" the actor scored one of the biggest personal successes of the season, and won stellar billing.

Among the pictures in which Donlevy has been since then are "When the Daltons Rode,, "Brigham Young," "The Remarkable Andrew," "The Great Man's Lady," "I Wanted Wings," and "Stand By For Action." He has expressed the opinion that "America" has given him the most exciting role of his screen carreer. It's a part, and a photoplay, that King Vidor had visualized ever since the days of silent pictures, and which the director feels should be more timely in these turbulent days than ever before.

Ann Richards, recently signed to a long-term M-G-M contract, has the leading feminine role in the picture, which was filmed in Technicolor. The cast includes John Qualon, J. M. Kerrigan, Jackie Jenkins and Dickie Hall.

Fame and Fortune—You Take It, Bud!

No matter how you examine the human mind, you will never really find out why any person wants to be a movie star or why he'd want to stay one when he finds out what it's like.

Take Errol Flynn, for instance. He has made more money than a marine with a hot pair of dice, but one morning you pick up the paper and see that Flynn owes the government $100,000. Then you get to thinking what fabulous sums Errol has had to pay out to lawyers for various law suits, plus a whopping property settlement with his ex-wife, actress Lili Damita.

It all adds up to this: Errol Flynn, with taxes at the present rate, is going to the hereafter one day the most expensively rich poor man who ever lived on the face of the earth.

ILLIONIS CIO ENDORSES FOURTH TERM

CHICAGO (FP)—Pres. Roosevelt was indorsed for a fourth term and an anti-Chicago Tribune campaign was launched a the third annual convention of the Illinois Industrial Union Council.

CLOSED SHOP UPHELD

BOSTON (FP)—In a decision of far-reaching importance to industrial New England, the Massachusetts supreme court upheld the closed shop and the right of unions to force the discharge of non-union workers.

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Do You Know

That Robert Taylor refused to allow a double to do any of his riding stunts in any film?

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That Brian Donlevy, who plays one of the screen's toughest guys once posed as Cleopatra and Santa Claus for a New York advertising agency?

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That Mary Howard, who has the feminine lead in "Billy the Kid," "happened into' motion pictures? She went west to visit her sister and was at a dinner party when she was offered a screen test.

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That M-G-M had to employ a "snow destroyer" in the filming of "Billy the Kid"? Spots of snow on location sites were picked up by the Technicolor camera and men had to be employed to remove it with brooms and fire hoses.

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That Gene Lockhart wrote the words and music for "Do Come Over for Tea," "Mrs. Tommy Atkins" and "The World Is Waiting for the Sunrise"?

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That William S. Hart named Robert Taylor's own mount after his famous horse, "Hassayana," when asked to give Taylor's horse a name?

Heard On The Lot

HASSAYAMA, one of William S. Hart's most famous movie mounts, gallops again—spirit at least—on the screen. It all came about when Robert Taylor's own horse was chosen as his mount in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's Technicolor picture, "Billy the Kid," and the star asked for suggestions for a suitable screen name. Hart, pioneer movie two-gun hero, offered the name of his great horse, which died a few months ago at the age of 16. So Taylor's horse became "Hassayama II." The name, originally taken from a river in Arizona, means that the bearer will always return to his master even after death, according to the Indian legend surrounding it.

Competition In the Family

Mrs. Peter Van Eyck apparently is going to show her actor-husband that he is not the only member of the family to succeed in movies.

The lady, who has been well known professionally as Ruth Ford before she gave her full attention to being Mrs. Van Eyck, has been cast by Darryl Zanuck in the forthcoming "Woodrow Wilson".

Josie Wants to Co-Star

MONKEY BUSINESS goes on at the M-G-M Studio when Josephine, the monk, plays a small supporting role with little Margaret O'Brien in "Lost Angel." Here you see a short rest period between "takes" with all hands perfectly contented and happy about the whole thing.

Hollywood Mothers Have Bad Luck

It seems that a jinx haunts the stars when they become mothers.

First it was Lana Turner's baby who was so ill, then the tragic death of Veronica Lake's daughter; then Jane Wyatt losing one of her twins. Now it is Gene Tierney Cassini's baby, who must be kept in an incubator for six months.

We can only hope that the Cassini baby will come through as well as little Cheryl Crane, who is thriving beautifully. Heartache like this is hard for any woman to take—and movie actresses do not escape it.

George Sanders Out-Croons Crooners!

The nefarious gentleman with the sardonic smile, George Sanders, will soon be seen—but perhaps not recognized—in "International Zone," with Virginia Bruce.

Sanders—the fellow who ran a sneer into a double-A film career, will sing, accompanying himself, in this new picture. Move over, Sinatra—here comes the menace in music—Sanders is the name!

Arturo de Cordova Is Fourth Choice

The Mexican film star, Arturo de Cordova, who will be seen shortly in "Frenchman's Creek" with Joan Fontaine, has taken a new part that apparently nobody wanted.

Eye-Full

ANN RUTHERFORD obeys an "Eyes Left" command. She's featured with Red Skelton in the forthcoming M-G-M picture, "Whistling in Brooklyn" this week at Esquire.

Lovely Linda

LINDA DEAN hails from Nashville, Tenn., suh, and she's got red hair. Makes her screen debut in M-G-M's "Meet the People" starring Lucille Ball and Dick Powell.

Pensive

AVA GARDNER is one of the featured lovelies in M-G-M's "Spring Fever," the new Kay Kyser musical.

Our Sympathy to Lou Costello

When Lou Costello went on the air the night he learned his year-old son had been drowned in his swimming pool, the only indication of his acute suffering was that he fidgeted with his script and smoked a cigar. Otherwise, Lou was just as funny as ever, and no one knew anything was wrong until Abbott announced it when the program ended.

"A short time before our broadcast," he said, "Lou was told his baby had died. In the face of the greatest tragedy which can come to any man, Lou went on tonight so that you would not be disappointed."

FARM BUREAU PLEDGES "GRAB"

CHICAGO (FP)—Pledging to grab while the grabbing's good, the American Farm Bureau Federation adopted an anti-labor and anti-New Deal program at their 3-day convention here.

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Robert Taylor Bows Out In A War Love Story

Behind the music of Tschaikowsky . . . behind the love of an American man and a Russian woman . . . behind the common hatred for Nazis . . . is an important purpose to bring about a greater understanding between the Soviet Union and the United States. The fact that love can surmount differences in culture and a social system is the moral brought out in "Song of Russia."

Unlike "The North Star" this picture is not a sage of the Russian people. It is the story of two individuals who risk above opposing ideologies because they speak the universal language of music and love. Like "The North Star", it contrasts peace and war—and emphasizes the tragic difference war makes in the lives of the Russian people.

If you love music—this is your picture. "Song of Russia" stresses the Soviet Union's passion for all kinds of music. The beautiful strains of Tschaikowsky's Fifth symphony, the Romeo and Juliet overture, Shostakovich's First symphony are woven into the drama of the picture.

Robert Taylor, as John Meredith, a renowned American conductor, leads symphony orchestras all over the country. Susan Peters, as Nadya, the Russian girl, is a talented pianist. The soldiers sing while marching, the townspeople dance to folk music, the children learn some instrument as soon as they can walk.

This picture shows the Russians as a fun-loving nation—not tragic or brooding or melancholy. The people are interested in America—in Boulder Dam, in Cleveland, in hot dogs, skyscrapers and common slang, such as "the brush-off" and "in the groove".

"Song of Russia" brings out the Russian's respect for America. A woman truck driver shows gratitude to lend-lease in saying "My best friend—this truck—straight from Detroit."

The Kids' Favorite

Jack Benny is pulling for the courageous kids of General Clark's Fifth Army . . . no matter where they are when this New Year strikes.

Jack made a 32,000 mile tour through the Middle East, Sicily, Africa and the remote regions of the Persian gulf. He rode camels in Egypt, and played a command performance on his violin in front of the Sphinx. He's fifteen pounds heavier from eating army chow . . . and much grayer in the hair from joking with boys in hospitals.

He watches every headline with grave interest for news of boys of the Fifth, for Benny was the first star to set foot in Italy, prior to that army's bloody advance on Rome. When he landed in North Sicily, he discovered the soldiers he was going to entertain had already shoved off for the Italian front, and he got permission from the Army to follow.

Disembarking on Italian soil, Benny was greeted by an Army major up to his ears in the grim business of preparing an attack.

"What the hell are you doing here?" he said, recognizing Jack.

But he let him stay there long enough to make the boys relax with a few good belly laughs before they shoved ahead into action.

Clara Bow May Bring "It" Back to Movies

If Clara Bow takes the part she's being offered in a ranch musical show, it will be her first time before the camera since her marriage, when she settled down on Rex Bell's ranch. Part of the deal is that her ranch be used in the musical, too.

None of the Hollywood crowd sees Clara except when she comes into town for a routine check-up with her doctor—but the word is that she's as glamorous as in the "It" days.

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HOLLYWOOD LOT

By TED TAYLOR

HOLLYWOOD—(FP)—There was never such a thing as a university course in show business until one was set up by Hollywood writers and technical specialists at the request of the U.S. Army. It was set up for 500 enlisted men and women assembled from Army camps in eight western states. The purpose was to teach soldiers and WACS how to put on their own entertainment in any morale emergency—to bridge the gaps between visits of professional entertainers, or to substitute for a movie when communications are interrupted.

"There isn't enough civilian talent to go around, and as time goes on there will be less," Lt.-Col. William M. Beveridge, chief of special services for the 9th service command, explained in opening the most novel of the army's training courses.

Show Business in 30 Lessons

It was Show Business, in 30 more or less easy lessons. The entire course was crammed into three days of sessions in the auditorium of Santa Monica Junior High School. Beveridge warmly praised Staff Sgts. Ben Oakland and Chip Cleary for arranging the curriculum and recruiting the faculty of Hollywood experts. (In their civilian pasts Oakland was a song writer, Cleary a screen publicist.)

First day: Magic tricks without props. The stage manager's job (a five-minute talk that drew 40 minutes of eager questioning). How to put on a musical revue. (For this Danny Dare called up soldiers to work in a hoofing line with four Paramount girls.) Script writing, by Barry Trivers. The knack of mimicry, by Eddie Garr. How to stage acts in front of your camp musicians and how to keep the show rolling.

Second day: How to get group singing under way. How to augment short wave radio with your own talent. How to build a band with three to 15 musicians. Tips on writing parodies and ballads by four Hollywood song writers. Staging blackout skits. How to be a quiz professor, by Stu Wilson of radio. Staging a minstrel show, by 'Lasses White. Organize your own quartet, by the Delta Rhythm Boys.

Cantor Performs

That night, to give the scholars in uniform a little relaxation, Eddie Cantor brought the cast of his RKO picture, Show Business, to camp and gave a performance! However, nobody had to take notes.

Third day: Handling puppets. How to make costumes out of GI materials. Makeup for feminine roles for soldiers, making up WACS for a pirate chorus, demonstrated on GI and WACS by the two Westmore brothers and Hank Mann. Elementary steps for dance routines by LeRoy Prinz.

Judith Anderson, Jinx Falkenburg and Anna Lee wound up the course by telling the special service boys and girls some of their experiences in entertaining troops overseas.

Hollywood Outpost

Something new in an official U. S. Marines assignment is Hollywood correspondent. Sgt. Bob Myers was sent from Washington to take that post for the official magazine, The Leatherneck. ('Sfunny, Myers used to cover Hollywood for Associated Press and quit to get into the war.)

Starting The New Year Right

Who wouldn't be willing to start the New Year right with Ava Gardner, Hollywood lovely who has both hands full of war bonds. Ava suggests that big bonds from little stamps grow and its a good idea to help your government by buying both. Ava is now filming "Broadway Rythm."

Joan Crawford—Woman Executive!

For years Joan has wanted to become a producer, and now she's a full-fledged executive at Warner's.

Since hubby Phil Terry was released from his contract at M-G-M perhaps she'll make her first picture a starring vehicle for him. A new husband-wife screen combination!

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Cartoon "Buzzin Buzzards"
"Through My Unborn Son"
8 min. of Loew's News

Local 12 Bowling Tournament Set

Handicap Event To Feature First Competition

By Ed Mandy

Members of the Local 12 Tournament committee have definitely decided on January 28, 29 and 30 as the dates for the handicap tournament which was first announced last week. Place of the bowling has not been definitely decided on; but will be held in a place convenient for all.

Entry fees for the tournament are $7.50 per team plus $5.00 for bowling. Prize money will be announced as soon as all entries have come in. A trophy and medal will be given the winners. Places for other prizes will be determined by the plus system.

Starting Times

Squads will begin bowling at the following hours Friday: 6:30, 9:00 and 11:00 p. m. Saturday, 1:30, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00 and 11:00 p. m. Sunday, 11:00 a. m., 1:30, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00 and 11:00 p. m.

Bowling times have been arranged to enable all war workers the opportunity to arrange their bowling.

Rules for Bowling

Bowlers will be permitted to roll with their regular team using the average from the league from which they enter. A bowler may also roll with a team from another league, provided they are a bona fide member of the team with no more than two of the same bowlers rolling together on each team.

Any bowler using an average lower than his correct official average, forfeits all prize money for the team his score is entered in. Errors will be corrected at the discretion of the tournament committee or the bowling director.

All members of Local 12, UAW-CIO are eligible to enter the tournament regardless whether they bowl in any league of any Unit provided their average can be substantiated.

Entry blanks may be obtained from Unit Chairman, members of the tournament committee or E. I. Mandy and will be ready early next month.

Leagues which have no representation on the tournament committee should appoint a member to the committee. All league officers are invited to send in their names.

For further information call or write Ed. Mandy, 425 Winthrop St., c/o Local 12, UAW-CIO.

Hunters Slip In 1943

SAULT STE. MARIE, Dec. 27—Although the number of nimrods hunting on Drummond Island during the deer season was larger than in 1942, their success was 7% lower than in the previous year, conservation statistics reveal.

In the 1943 season 1,116 hunters bagged only 340 bucks, while in the previous year 1,067 riflemen took 397 deer.

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Cure Deer Problem

LANSING, Dec. 27—Final reports on the special antlerless deer season in the Hamilton area of Allegan county indicate that the purpose of the special season, held to rid the area of celery-eating deer ,is being accomplished, according to H. D. Ruhl, chief of the state conservation department's game division.

When the third special antlerless season closed December 10, 631 hunters had taken only 19 deer with an additional 5 antlered bucks being illegally shot and left. These figures suggest that the deer herd within the special antlerless season area was greatly reduced by last year's special season when 79 legal antlerless deer and 13 illegal bucks were shot.

Further evidence of a decrease in the deer herd in Allegan county is that only a single deer was shot under permit by a celery farmer this year as compared to a kill of nine for the previous year. A group of about 25 local residents, many of them celery growers, who organized and "drove" several sections of the area during the last four days of the season were successful in bagging only two deer.

Railroad Negotiations Timetable

CHICAGO, Dec. 27 — (FP) — Blow-by-blow development of the wage controversy between the railroad companies and the five operating unions—Bro. of Locomotive Engineers, Order of Railway Conductors, Bro. of Locomotive Enginemen & Firemen, Bro. of Railroad Trainmen (all unaffiliated) and the Switchmen's Union (AFL)—is as follows:

Jan. 26, 1943: Unions filed formal demands for cost of living wage increases of 30% with minimum raise of $3 a day.

Feb. 17: Two days of negotiations between unions and employers ended in dealock.

Feb. 23: Chairman George A. Cook of the Natl. Mediation Board announced failure of his efforts to resolve the dispute.

June 7: Hearings begun before the Natl. Railway Wage Panel in New York City. Hearings ended June 13.

Sept. 28: Panel awards workers increase of 4c an hour.

Oct. 23: Unions order strike vote.

Dec. 15: Result announced as 40 to 1 for strike, to begin Dec. 30.

Dec. 19: Union and company representatives meet with Pres. Roosevelt.

Dec. 20: Union heads confer with Roosevelt.

FDR For Soldier Vote

WASHINGTON (FP)—Adding his voice to the growing clamor for a workable soldiers vote bill, President Roosevelt told a press conference he thought every man and woman in the armed services should have a chance to vote in the 1944 elections.

Pheasant Crop Is Below Normal

EAST LANSING, Dec. 27—For the first time in five years the pheasant crop at the conservation department's Rose Lake wildlife experiment station in Ingham county was below the normal of approximately 10 cocks per hundred acres, Durward L. Allen biologist in charge of the station, has announced.

This year hunters bagged only 6.8 cocks per hundred acres, five less than the 1942 take of 11.3 birds per hundred acres.

A normal crop provides a prehunting bird population of approximately 14 cocks and 15 hens, conservation field men estimate, but this year it was probably only about 9 cocks and 10 hens.

Studies at the station show that with existing cover conditions between 60 and 100 hunting hours per hundred acres will harvest the available pheasant crop but that two or three times that amount of hunting will make the kill very little higher. Conservation field men believe that pheasants become "cagey" when hunting pressure is heavy and are more difficult to kill. The usual age ration among cocks shot at Rose Lake is approximately 1 old bird to 10 birds of the year. This year's age ratio was 1 "old timer" to 3 young.

Very heavy hunting at Rose Lake has indicated that it is almost impossible to "shoot out" cock pheasants in the present open season and that there is very little danger of having too few cocks left for breeding.

Game Laws Unchanged For 1944

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 27—No changes were made in the seasons, bag limits or legal lengths for the 1944 fishing season, under tentative fishing regulations announced today by the Ohio Conservation and Natural Resources Commission.

The Commission held its December meeting in connection with the annual public hearing on fishing regulations which was held Thursday and adopted tentative regulations after having conferred with members of the State Conservation Advisory Council, which is made up of 14 sportsmen and farmer representatives from the seven Ohio conservation districts.

Opinion was rather equally divided at the hearing on the abandonment of a closed season on black bass during the spawing season but the Commission decided to make no changes in the black bass regulations.

Bag Limit

A bag limit of 20 with a possession limit of 40 after the first day was placed upon frogs. The regulation on turtles was unchanged.

Under the tentative regulations the use of rowboats and canoes on Jefferson Lake in Jefferson county will be permitted. This request was made by members of the Advisory Council from that district.

The same dates and boundaries will be used for the closed season on black bass, splitting the state into two areas again this year with an earlier closing date in Southern Ohio. The Commission decided that while weather conditions were not as contemplated last year that the split season should be given another trial again this year as, in most years, climatic conditions are such in Southern Ohio as to result in an earlier spawning season for black bass.

The black bas closed season will be from April 15 to May 31 in the Southern Zone and from May 1 to June 15 in the Northern Zone, while the colsed season in the Lake Erie Fishing District will be from May 25 to June 30. The trout season was established the same as for the past year, opening the season on April 15.

Here are the tentative regulations on all species of fish (All dates inclusive).

No Closed Season

No closed season on any of above species except trout and black bass. Trout, closed September 16 to April 14. Black bass, closed in inland district, southern zone, April 15 to May 31, northern zone, May 1 to June 15. Closed in Lake Erie district, May 25 to June 30.

The Commission appropriated $25,000 to continue the baby chick pheasant program and also approved a great number of leases on wildlife habitat restoration areas and farm pond projects.

The Commission reaffirmed its desire to continue the fish safety zone policy for the coming year. These safety zones are placed in small segments of the streams throughout the state and while they represent only a small portion of the fishing water of the state, are believed to greatly improve the propagation of fish.

The following comprised the Advisory Council which met with the Commission: Paul Keckler, Kenton; William Faber, Findlay; L. H. Class, Sycamore; Charles Pulsford, Chagrin Falls; Floyd L. Snyder, Akron; H. D. Groves, Jerusalem; W. E. Wortman, Zanesville; T. M. Carmean, Edison; Dr. Dean Reese, London; Eben Leaf, Lebanon; Tom Cain, Lakeview; Floyd Swiger, Piketon; R. Hosey Wick, Jackson.

Maryland CIO For Fourth Term

BALTIMORE (FP)—Welcoming President Roosevelt home from Teheran, the Maryland and District of Columbia Industrial Union Council unanimously urged him to accept nomination for a fourth term.

SPECIES	Minimum Legal Lengths in Inches		Daily Bag Limit	
	Inland Fishing District	Lake Erie Fishing District	Inland Fishing District	Lake Erie Fishing District
Muskellunge	30	None	2	None
*Yellow Pike-Perch	13	None	2	None
Sauger	11	None	6	None
Rock Bass	5	5	20	20
Trout	7	7	6	6
Black Bass	10	10	6	6
Crappie	6	6	20	20
Sunfish	None	None	20	20
Bluegill	None	None	20	20
Yellow Perch	None	None	20	None
White Bass	None	None	20	None
White Bass	None	None	20	None
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* Commonly known as Wall-eye, Pickerel, Jack Salmon

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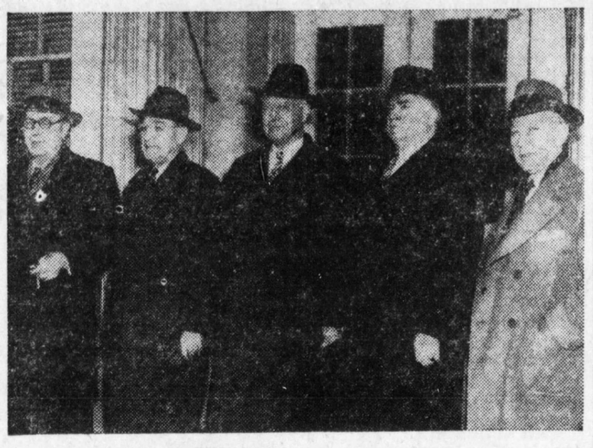

RAIL UNION HEADS—Summoned to White House for conference on settlement of wage demands of railroad unions are labor chieftains (left to right) T. C. Cashen, switchmen; H. M. Fraser, conductors; A. F. Whitney, trainmen; Alvanley Johnston, engineers, and D. B. Robertson, locomotive firemen and enginemen. (See: Rail Strike.)

RAIL STRIKE:
Settlement Sought

Declaring a railroad strike would be a serious blow to the conduct of the war, President Roosevelt busied himself seeking settlement of a wage dispute involving 1,450,000 rail employes who threatened to walk out December 30 unless their demands were satisfied.

First to threaten to strike were the five operating brotherhoods of switchmen, trainmen, firemen and enginemen, engineers and conductors, who originally asked for a $3 a day raise ,but balked when they were awarded only a 4 cents per hour boost. As a compromise, FDR suggested payment of overtime to rail employes, who at present are not eligible for such extra compensation until they have passed 48 hours.

Next to join in the walkout threat were the 15 non-operating rail unions, following congress' failure to act on their petition for an 8 cents an hour raise, disapproved by the government's stabilization director who offered an alternate plan granting a 10 cents hourly boost to lower paid employes and a 4 cents hourly increase to the highest paid.

RATIONING:
What U. S. Misses Most

With shortages of civilian goods in wartime America, what do the people miss most?

To get a straight answer, the government's civilian requirements office made a door-to-door canvass in 120 counties, discovering that 1—butter; 2—meat; 3—sugar; and 4—soap topped the list.

Following in order were 5—canned goods; 6—fruits; 7—elastic tape; 8—coal; 9—satisfactory hosiery; 10—washtubs.

Said OCR: "The items which civilians urgently need are for the most part fairly simple, calling for neither elaborate processing nor for complicated component parts." Earlier, OCR announced at 15 per cent boost in production of civilian goods in the first quarter of 1944 over the last three months of 1943.

EUROPE:
Join Jugoslavs

While U. S. and British troops ate deeper into the Nazis' winter line in southern Italy, the Jugoslav government of Gen. Josip (Tito) Broz announced that U. S., British and Russian officers had been added to his staff, and plans agreed on for extension of the guerrilla campaign vs. the Germans.

Pecking steadily at Nazi defenses on snow-clad mountain slopes, Lieut. Gen. Mark Clark's Fifth army worked its way around German positions guarding the long road leading to Rome, 80 miles away, as reports revealed the enemy was evacuating certain districts of the Eternal City to plant mines. After still fighting on the Adricatic coast, Gen. Bernard Montgomery's Eighth army broke into the key town of Ortona, blocking the approach to the highway hub of Pescara further north.

Announcement of Allied representation in General Broz' communist-backed Partisan army indicated that the U. S., Britain and Russia might make an attempt at equipping the 250,000 guerrillas who form the force, but have been fighting Nazi mechanized troops with light arms.

DISCHARGE PAY:
For Vets

Terms of a senate bill sent to the house for approval would give vets with 18 months or more service overseas since December 6, 1941, $500 upon honorable discharge. Vets 12 to 18 months abroad would receive $400 and those less than 12 months $300.

Vets serving within the continental limits for 12 months or more would get $300, and those serving less than 12 months $200. With approximately a million men removed from the enlisted ranks

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since December 6, 1941, and 70,000 being discharged monthly, the program would cost $300,000,000 at the start.

Bearing the name of Senator Alben Barkley (Ky.), the bill's payment provisions were worked out by Senators Styles Bridges (N.H.) and Warren Austin (Vt.). The bill now goes to the house, where there has been agitation for even higher discharge payments, with much sympathy for Representative William Lemke's proposal giving vets $100 upon release from the service and up to one year's pay.

AGRICULTURE:
1943 Production

Total food output for 1943 was 4 per cent larger than the previous year, with a slump in grain harvests made up by other products.

At 3,076,159,000 bushels, the corn crop was down from 3,131,518,000 in 1942. wheat declined to 836,298,000 bushels from 974,176,000, and oats dropped to 1,143,867,000 bushels from 1,349,547,000.

Record production was noted for meats, milk, poultry and eggs, along with potatoes, peas, soybeans, peanuts, rice. Gains also were registered for nuts, hemp, snap beans, carrots, lettuce and other commercial vegetables.

At 464,656,000 bushels, the 1943 potato harvest was at a new high.

Winter Wheat Acreage

Despite a 25 per cent increase in winter wheat seeding, indicated production for 1944 was set at 526,957,000 bushels, or 2,649,000 bushels less than 1943. Because rye is not considered a war crop, many farmers reduced plantings.

Because dry weather hampered seeding and continued to prevail after planting, as much as 21.9 per cent of the winter wheat crop may be abandoned and lower acreage yields may result. Only the eastern sector of the corn belt has been favored with good weather, but the important great plains region, on the other hand, has suffered from insufficient rainfall.

Reflecting a steady decline, rye acreage seeded dropped to 4,992,000 from 5,805,000 last year. In North Dakota, plantings were down 59 per cent, in South Dakota 25 per cent and Nebraska 22 per cent. Increases were recorded in the South, chiefly for pasturage and roughage.

BOLIVIA:
Revolutionists In

Always peppery, South America's politics took another sensational twists with a nationalist revolution in Bolivia, upsetting the government of Gen. Enrique Penaranda, and installing the administration of sociologist Paz Estenssoro, once locked up for pro-Nazi activities.

In Washington, D. C., U. S. officials were concerned with the development, since Bolivia now remains the Allies' chief source of tin following the loss of Malaya and the Indies to the Japs. But as the smoke from the rifles and machine guns cleared in Bolivia, the new regime announced there would be no change in friendly relations—or business — with the Allies.

Bolivia long has been in a stew over Penaranda's high-handed tactics, especially since troops broke up strike demonstrations in the tin mines with gunfire.

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In 1925, a father took his six-year-old son on a railroad trip to Minnesota on the Northwestern lines, not paying fare for him because of his small size.

Eighteen years later, the railroad got a letter with $31.60 enclosed. It read: "...I am sorry we did not pay the (boy's) fare then, and we are asking you to forgive us for that wrong... With compound interest, our debt totals $31.60."

RUSSIA:
Baltic Push

Even as the Nazis reportedly were organizing 250,000 Estonians, Latvians and Lithuanians for military service, the Red army pushed toward the borders of these tiny Baltic states.

As the Russians reported that the Nazis were shuttling troops from the Ukraine to the north to meet the Reds' latest drive, action on the 1,200-mile front assumed the shape of a game of military chess. Previously, Nazi pressure on Russian lines before Kiev had drawn Red reinforcements to that area.

Threatened by the Reds' surge in the north were the rail lines supplying Nazi forces in the Lenigrad region. Severance of these lines would cut off essential German communications, forcing them to rely wholly upon their Baltic sea routes, and a drive to the shores of these waters would make the Nazis' positions almost untenable.

SOUTHWEST PACIFIC:
Japs Gird

In an effort to further delay the U. S. drive westward to the heart of the Japanese empire, the enemy dispatched increasing air strength to the South Pacific area, with particular increases noted in the Marshall Islands.

With the Gilberts in our hands, and Allied eyes cast northward to the strategic Marshalls, U. S. Liberator bombers initiated a heavy bombing campaign against the latter islands, to soften up their defenses. At the same time, U. S. fliers continued assaulting the big enemy supply center of Rabaul, on New Britain.

As U. S. bombers droned over these objectives to drop tons of explosives, the Japs sent up strong waves of fighter planes to disrupt the attacks. Further, strings of convoys were observed bringing up reinforcements for strengthening defenses.

CANADIAN OIL:
Defends Army Project

The war department's 134-million-dollar oil development project in northwestern Canada was sharply defended by the army's service supply chief, Lieut. Gen. Brehon Somervell, who declared that the venture not only fit into the high command's strategic plans, but also resulted in the discovery of a huge pertoleum field of 100,000,000 barrels.

To be completed by next March, the project, known as Canol, will include 600 miles of pipeline and a refinery. Begun early in the war to reportedly supply U. S. forces operating in the Alaskan theater with fuel, Canol has been bitterly attacked by other U. S. agencies.

One strong objection raised to Canol was that the U. S. will lose its rights to the field after the war, control reverting to the Canadian government.

HOG SUPPORT

Heavy butcher hogs, animals weighing 270 to 300 pounds, have been included in the price support program of the War Food administration. The change went into effect December 23. This action extends the support price of $13.75 a hundredweight, Chicago basis, to all hogs between 200 and 300 pounds.

The move was necessary, WFA officials stated, because prices of the heavier swine have been going, often as much as a dollar under the $13.75 figure.

First administrator of the Agricultural Adjustment act and one of the two men who laid the cornerstone for the McNary-Haugen farm bill, George N. Peek died at 70. Formerly an executive of the Moline Plow company and Deere & Co., Peek saw eye to eye with the then Secretary of Agriculture Henry Wallace on processing taxes, but split with him on the crop reduction principle. Always independent politically, Peek left the GOP in 1928 to support the Democrats' farm plank.

Highlights In The Week's News

ESTATE: The estate of Edsel Ford, only son of Henry Ford, is valued at 66 million dollars by the probate court. Edsel was president of the great automobile company until his death last May.

TANKERS: Ocean-going oil tankers are now being built at a rate 10 times greater than they are being sunk, Petroleum Administrator Davies stated recently.

APES: British Commandos, stationed on the Rock of Gibraltar, are searching the caves for the famous apes, long associated with "the Rock". Members of the monkey colony have been disappearing lately. Axis agents are suspected of having poisoned the animals.

There is a legend extant that when the apes leave the Rock, the British will lose their hold on Gibraltar.

SENATE VOTES RAIL INCREASE

WASHINGTON (FP)—The senate in a record 74 to 4 vote passed the Truman resolution, approving an 8c hourly wage increase for 1,110,000 non-operating railroad workers, denied by Director of Economic Stabilization Fred M. Vinson.

RAIL WORKERS VOTE STRIKE

CLEVELAND (FP)—By approximately 40 to 1, members of the five operating railroad brotherhoods voted to begin a "progressive" strike Dec. 30. Quitting time will be staggered over three days, at the end of which all workers will be on strike, union spokesmen said.

CALL FOR 6 HOUR DAY

NEWARK, N. J. (FP)—The New Jersey Industrial Union Council, at its annual convention here, called upon the national executive committee of the CIO to wage a campaign for a national 6-hour day to begin as soon as the war ends.

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